Central City Chapter no. 1.



GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER COLORADO

1902



John Houmphreys Frist.

COMPANION JOHN HUMPHREYS. GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

Companion John Humphreys was born at Cincinnati, Ohio, January 29, 1853, and is the eldest of the three children of William and Eleanor Humphreys.

He received a common school education, except during part of the years 1871 and 1872, when he attended the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, Ohio.

Until the outbreak of the Civil War he remained with his parents in Cincinnati. At that time they moved to his father's old homestead, five miles north of Delaware, Ohio, where they remained until April, 1864, at which time they again moved to a farm six miles northwest of Lima, Ohio, and remained there until 1874, when Companion Humphreys went to Delphos, Ohio, to fill the position of bookkeeper, which he did in several large institutions until 1878. On the 25th of April of that year he married at Delphos, Ohio, Anna D. Clark, and now has two children, William H. and Gladys. In that same year he entered the service of what is known as the Clover Leaf Railroad, at Delphos, and remained there until February, 1885, when he was transferred to St. Louis as agent of the same line, at which point he stayed until May, 1887, going from there to Leadville, Colorado; but finding the altitude too great for his wife, in October of the following year he removed to Trinidad and entered the joint services of the Denver & Rio Grande and Denver, Texas & Fort Worth roads as cashier of the two lines. With these companies he remained until May 1, 1893. He then went into the mercantile business in Trinidad, Colo., and has so continued to the present time. He is familiarly known as "Humphreys on the Corner," and is an honored resident of the city.

Becoming interested in Masonry, in 1891 he applied for initiation into its mysteries, and has since then taken a great interest in it, serving in many official positions. His Masonic record is: Initiated April 7, passed April 24, and raised May 21, 1891, in Las Animas Lodge No. 28, A. F. & A. M., Colorado. During the rest of that year he acted as Senior Deacon, and was elected Junior Warden in December, Senior Warden December, 1892, and Worshipful Master December, 1893, serving as such during the year 1894, and at various times has been Secretary of his Lodge. At the thirty-fourth Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Colorado, held in 1895, he was appointed Senior Grand Steward.

He received the Mark Master Mason and Past Master Mason degrees August 1, 1891; the Most Excellent on August 6, and the Royal Arch degree August 10, 1891, in Trinidad Chapter No. 23, R. A. M., Colorado. From that time to 1896 he filled various subordinate offices, but in December, 1896 and 1897, was elected High Priest, serving two years, since which time he has been Secretary.

In 1895 he was appointed Grand Master of the Third Veil, in the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado, and was advanced yearly, till in September, 1902, he was elected Grand High Priest.

He received the degrees of Royal and Select Master by communication January 20, 1893, from M. Ill. Companion James L. Bridge, Past Grand Master of Wisconsin, under a dispensation from the General Grand Master of the United States, authorizing him to communicate the degrees to a sufficient number to form a Council. He was then selected to act as the First Thrice Ill. Master of Rocky Mountain Council No. 2, R. & S. Masters, at Trinidad, Colo., organized under dispensation from the General Grand Council. He was also First Thrice Ill. Master under the Charter granted August, 1894, and served as such in 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897 and 1898.

At the Convocation to form the Grand Council of Colorado R. & S. Masters, in December, 1894, he was appointed G. C. of G., and at its first annual assembly in September, 1895, was elected R. Ill. P. C. of the Work. The two succeeding years he served as Deputy Grand Master, and at the Fourth Annual, held in September, 1898, he was elected M. Ill. Grand Master, serving one year.

Oriental Commandery No. 18, K. T., conferred upon him the Red Cross degree November 6, 1891, and created him a Knight Templar November 14th.

He belongs to the Order of Anointed High Priests, having received that degree in the Grand Council of Anointed High Priests of Colorado September 23, 1897.



HENRY TRACY WEST.

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Henry Tracy West was born in Rochester, N. Y., October 17, 1824. His parents moved to Palmyra, Wayne county, New York, shortly after his birth, and he resided in Wayne and Monroe counties until his marriage, in A. D. 1845, to Mary Olivia Sears, the daughter of Rev. John Sears.

He was educated in the public schools and the academy at Palmyra, and taught in both before his marriage.

Was married June 10, 1845, and on the 11th started with his wife for Illinois, locating in Lake county, near Lake Zurich, where he farmed summers and taught school winters until A. D. 1849, when he removed to Littlefoot (now Waukegan), and engaged in the drug business with one N. T. Cody, who in the spring of 1850 went to California, leaving Companion West to close out his business, which extended over three States, he being general Western agent for several patent medicine manufacturers.

He removed to Kenosha, Wis., in 1853, where he engaged in the drug business, and was City Clerk during the years 1855 and 1856. In the year 1858 he removed to Kewanee, Ill., where he remained until the summer of 1861, when he went to Chicago, Ill., and entered the employ of Burnham & Smith, wholesale druggists, as a commercial traveler until 1864, when the firm dissolved and he engaged with Mr. Charles G. Smith, as head clerk, and two years afterward was taken into the firm under the name of Smith, Cutler & Co. In 1868 Burnham & Van Schaack

purchased the stock, and he entered into partnership with them until A. D. 1870, when he came to Colorado, as one of the Locating Committee of the Union Colony, the members of which built the City of Greeley. He was the first Secretary of the Union Colony of Colorado, and has been its President since 1890. He is also President of the Society of the Union Colony Pioneers, having held that position continuously since its organization in A. D. 1895.

He was President of the town of Greeley during the first year of its organization, and was Town Trustee for several years.

He started the first bank at Greeley, under the name of H. T. West & Co., May 13, 1870, which was merged into the firm of Emerson, West & Buckingham in June of that year, and continued until 1874, when Mr. Buckingham retired, and the firm became Emerson West, so continuing until A. D. 1876, when he retired, and was succeeded by his son, George H. West. From this time until the fall of 1878 he was engaged in coal mining, in which all his savings were lost. For two years thereafter he suffered from nervous prostration and was unable to do any active work, but finally recovered, so that he entered the bank as bookkeeper, where he served until 1892, when the bank—then Hunter & West -was sold to the Greeley National Bank, and shortly after he again suffered the loss of all his savings by the failure of the Irrigating Pump Company, in which he had invested all his savings. He is now a general utility man, assisting any who need help in keeping their books, doing notarial work and conveyancing, together with fire insurance,

and is thus able to supply all the needs of himself and the wife, with whom he has lived for fifty-seven years.

MASONIC RECORD.

He was initiated November 17, 1851, passed December 1, 1851, and raised January 12, 1852, in Union Lodge No. 78, A. F. & A. M., at Littlefort (now Waukegan), Ill. (now known as Waukegan Lodge No. 324, Union Lodge and Waukegan Lodge having been consolidated in 1864), and was appointed Senior Deacon to fill out the term of Brother Edward A. Gilbert, April 26, 1852, and was elected Junior Deacon, October 25, 1852, dimitted July 18, 1853, upon removal to Kenosha, Wis., and joined Kenosha Lodge U. D., now No. 47, where, according to certificate from that Lodge, he "filled various offices pro tem., and was ordained (?) Senior Deacon by the Grand Lecturer, November 30, 1854;" elected S. D., December 18, 1854; re-elected December 17, 1855; elected J. W. December 22, 1856; elected W. M. December 28, 1857; dimitted January 3, 1859; and joined Wethersfield Lodge No. 159, Kewanee, Ill., and was elected Master of that Lodge in 1860; dimitted in 1861, and joined Oriental Lodge, No. 33, Chicago, Ill., remaining a member of that Lodge until 1870, when he dimitted and assisted in forming a Lodge U. D. at Greeley, Colorado, now Occidental Lodge No. 20; was its first Treasurer U. D., and was elected S. W. at the first annual election, and W. M. in 1873. In 1874-'75 he was a member of the Committee on Jurisprudence, to which committee was delegated the work of revising the Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Order of the Grand Lodge, and he individually performed the work to the satisfaction of that body, his entire report having been adopted with but one slight change.

He was honored by having been appointed and serving as Grand Marshal in 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892. At the session of 1892 he was appointed District Deputy Grand Master for the First District, serving his full term and visiting and instructing every Lodge (twenty-one) within his District.

He has since that time held positions on some committee of the Grand Lodge, and been always seen at its Grand Communications.

CHAPTER.

Was made Mark Master April 9, 1855; Past Master, April 9; M. E. Master, April 10, and R. A. M., April 11, in Kenosha Chapter No. 3, R. A. M., at Kenosha, Wis., and after serving in several positions, Captain of the Host and others, was elected Scribe in 1857. Dimitted in 1858 and joined a Chapter U. D. at Kewance, Ill., now Kewanee Chapter No. 47 (Records burned). Was Royal Arch Captain in 1859, Captain of the Host in 1860, and in 1861 dimitted and joined Lafayette Chapter, Chicago. Ill., remaining a member thereof until coming to Colorado in 1870, when he united with Denver Chapter No. 2, and held membership until the formation of a Chapter U. D. at Greeley, Colo., now Greeley Chapter No. 13, being its first King, in 1883. Was Captain of the Host in 1884 and 1885, and High Priest in 1886, and Captain of the Host again in 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892.

he received the Order of High Priesthood, and was Conductor for several years.

He was appointed Master of the Second Veil at the Grand Convocation in 1887, Grand Royal Arch Captain in 1888, Grand Captain of the Host in 1889, Grand Scribe in 1890, Grand King in 1891, Deputy Grand High Priest in 1892, and Grand High Priest in 1893, and since that time has been a member of some committee and in attendance at the Convocations of the Grand Chapter. Knighted Red Cross and Knight Templar April 9, 1884, in Greelev Commandery U. D. (now No. 10), acting as S. W. while U. D., and was elected Eminent Commander at its first election in December, 1884, Senior Warden in 1887, and Captain General in 1888, 1889 and 1890, and was for several years thereafter Prelate of that Command-He was for years Grand Representative from the Grand Commandery of Minnesota to the Grand Commandery of Colorado, and has been for years Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Louisiana, near the Grand Chapter of Colorado, and Grand Representative from the Grand Lodge of Arkansas, near the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

He was elected an Honorary Life Member of the Masonic Veteran Association of the Pacific Coast, June 24, 1890.

Proceedings

Of the

Grand Royal Arch Chapter

Of Colorado.

TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION

Denver, September 18, A. D. 1902, A. l. 2432.

JOHN HUMPHREYS, TRINIDAD, G. H. P. WM. D. TODD, DENVER, G. SEC.

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JAMES H. PEABODY (14)			
WILLIAM D. PEIRCE (2)Denver			
WILLIAM L. BUSH (30)Idaho Springs			
COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.			
ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER (29)			
DECISION.			

Suspension by Lodge causes suspension in Chapter, and reinstatement by Lodge has the same effect in Chapter, without any action by the Chapter.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter will be held at Denver, September 17, 1903.

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TWENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION,

Held at Denver, September 18, A. D. 1902, A. I. 2432.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado met in Annual Convocation in the Masonic Temple, Denver, Thursday, September 18, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form by the M. E. Grand High Priest, with prayer by the Grand Chaplain. Grand Officers present as follows:

WILLIAM L. BUSH (30), Idaho SpringsG. H. P.
JOHN HUMPHREYS (23), TrinidadD. G. H. P.
CROMWELL TUCKER (2), DenverG. K.
DAVID R. CROSBY (24), Grand JunctionG. S.
FRANK L. BISHOP (29), DenverG. Treas.
WILLIAM D. TODD (2), DenverG. Sec'y.
CHARLES O. UNFUG (27), PuebloG. C. H.
TYLER D. HEISKELL (31), Fort MorganG. P. S.
JOSEPH W. MILSOM (14), Colorado SpringsG. R. A. C.
WILLIAM W. COOPER (12), Pueblo
J. E. CHESTER (30), Idaho SpringsG. M. 2nd V.
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (6), Colorado SpringsG. M. 1st V.
ANDREW ARMSTRONG (11), Fort CollinsG. Chaplain
THOMAS NICHOLL (2), DenverG. Sentinel

And Representatives from thirty-two of the thirty-four Chapters.

CREDENTIALS.

The Grand High Priest appointed Companions

GRAND SECRETARY (2). J. K. DOUGHTY (32). F. W. SWANSON (18).

as Committee on Credentials. The Committee subsequently presented their report, showing the following Companions present, which was adopted:

GRAND OFFICERS, AS ABOVE GIVEN.

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIESTS.

IRVING W. STANTON (3).
JOHN S. TITCOMB (7).
LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF (2).
ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER (29).
W. T. BRIDWELL (14).
THOS. NICHOLL (2).
HENRY T. WEST (13).
ALPHONSE A. BURNAND (10).
GEORGE T. COOPER (2).
J. H. PEABODY (14).
WILLIAM D. PEIRCE (2).
JETHRO C. SANFORD (15).
MARSHALL H. DEAN (22).
GEO. W. ROE (14).

REPRESENTATIVES FROM CHAPTERS.

[Those marked with an asterisk (*) are proxies.]

Chapter.	High Priest, King, Scribe.
Central City No. 1-	
P. A. KLINE*	н. Р.
	К.
Denver No. 2-	
MELVIN EDWARDS:	Н. Р.
M. GRANT HAMILTON	к.
Pueblo No. 3—	
CORNELIUS J. HART	
CORNELIUS J. HART*	K.
CORNELIUS J. HART*	s.
Georgetown No. 4-	
C. S. DESCH*	
C. S. DESCH*	K.
C. S. DESCH*	s.

Chapt	er.	High	Priest,	King,	Scribe.
Colorado	Springs No. 6— JOHN WILLIAMS*				
	E. S. COHEN*				
	THOMAS SHIDELER		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	· · · · · · · · · · ·	S.
Boulder I					
	GEO. F. CHASE*				
	GEO. F. CHASE				
Longmon	t No. 8—				
_	C. F. BARTELL				н. Р.
	JAS, WIGGINS*				
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Leadville					
	FRANK W. HURD				
	H. WARD WOODWARD				
	SILAS A. McPHEE	•••••	• • • • • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •	ຮ.
Cache la	Poudre No. 11-				
	ANDREW ARMSTRONG*	• •••••	• • • • • • • •	• • • • • • •	н. Р.
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South Pu	eblo No. 12—				
	CLEMENT V. MARMADUKE				
	RICHARD M. QUACKENBUSH . RICHARD M. QUACKENBUSH*				
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Greeley I	No. 13—				
	I. O. GLAZIER				
	O. M. ABBOTT				
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Canon Ci	ty No. 14— W. H. TROUT*				
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	J. C. SANFORD*				
	N. C. MILLER*				
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Gunnison					
	W. S. RAINBOW*	• • • • • • •	• • • • • • • •		н. Р.
San Luis	Valley No. 18—				
	F. W. SWANSON		• • • • • • • • •		н. Р.
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Trinidad	No. 23—	
2	G. A. REESE*H.	P.
Grand Ju	nction No. 24—	
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Walsenhi	urg No. 27—	
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	TOM A. SMITH	
	ALFRED C. JAQUITH	
	R. BURKE*	S.
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GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

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IRVING W. STANTON	District of Columbia
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WILLIAM T. BRIDWELL	Maryland
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JOSEPH W. MILSOM	Minnesota
MARSHALL H. DEAN	Mississippl
CHARLES O. UNFUG	Nevada
WILLIAM W. COOPER	New Jersey
W. D. PEIRCE	New South Wales
IRVING W. STANTON	New York
CHARLES H. JACOBSON	North Carolina
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WILLIAM L. BUSH	South Carolina
CORNELIUS J. HART	Tennessee
CALVIN E. REED	Texas
RICHARD BURKE	Vermont
FRANK L. BISHOP	West Virginia
JETHRO C. SANFORD	Wisconsin

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

Representatives from the other Grand Chapters near this Grand Chapter were called to the East, received with the Grand Honors and fraternally welcomed by the Grand High Priest, Companion C. J. Hart (3) responding in their behalf.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

The Grand High Priest then appointed the following Committees:

TO EXAMINE VISITING COMPANIONS.

M. GRANT HAMILTON (2). ISAAC N. McCUE (26). F. M. ANDERSON (27).

ON RETURNS AND WORK.

GEORGE W. ROE (14). JOHN WILLIAMS (6). C. W. STRINGFIELD (19).

ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

GEORGE T. COOPER (2). WILLIAM H. TROUT (14). V. ALBERA (20).

ON FINANCE, MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

- J. C. SANFORD (15).
- C. S. DESCH (4).
- J. B. HERSHEY (23).

ON NECROLOGY.

- L. N. GREENLEAF (2).
- C. F. BARTELL (8).
- J. H. HAFER (25).

ADDRESS OF GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

The Most Excellent Grand High Priest then addressed the Companions of the Grand Chapter, which address was referred to a special Committee on Division and Reference, consisting of Companions M. H. Dean (22), N. C. Miller (15), and Geo. D. Lawson (27).

I congratulate you, my Companions, on the prosperous condition of Royal Arch Masonry throughout our Jurisdiction, and bid you a hearty and fraternal welcome to this, our twenty-eighth Annual Convocation. The returns will show a healthy growth in our membership, peace and harmony prevail within our borders, and our relations with other Jurisdictions are of the most friendly and cordial nature. It is but proper that we should pause a moment and offer up our thanks to the Great I AM for the manifold blessings and comforts we have enjoyed, and invoke a continuance of His watchful care over us.

NECROLOGY.

Naturally our first thoughts as we meet in these Annual Convocations turn to those we have met from year to year at these gatherings. In some instances the pleasant greeting, the hearty clasp of the hand, of those we have known and expected to meet, are missing, the active duties of life preventing them from joining us. In

other instances the pleasant greeting, the clasp of the hand are missing, because the voice is stilled, the working tools have been laid aside, and the Companion has passed the vails to the Great Beyond. Every year some of our dear Companions who have labored in the quarries and helped to build up Capitular Masonry in Colorado are summoned before the Grand High Priest above. The past year has been no exception, many of our Chapters being called upon to mourn the loss of active and zealous members. To them we extend our heartfelt sympathy in their great loss.

While the active officers of the Grand Chapter have been spared to us, I regret to report that death has invaded the ranks of our past Grand Officers and removed from our midst Companion Jacob A. J. Bigler, Past Grand King, who died New Year's day, 1902. Companion Bigler was born July 31, 1828, and was 73 years and five months old at the time of his death. He, with a number of others from Virginia, his birthplace, crossed the plains in 1849, going to the goldfields of California. Being pleased with Colorado on passing through it, and foreseeing its future, he returned and settled in Denver in 1865. He served as a member of the bodyguard of General Fremont during the Civil War, participating in several engagements. He was interested in the real estate business in Denver and had been prominently identified with the business interests of the city.

Companion Bigler's Masonic history shows him to have been an active member during his earlier years. He was a Charter member of Denver Lodge No. 5, and served as Master during 1870. In 1879 he was High Priest of Denver Chapter No. 2, and served this Grand Chapter as King in 1883. With Companions Collins and Gird he was trustee of what was known as the "Union Addition" property, and it was through the careful handling of that property that the building of this Temple was made possible. Companion Bigler left many friends and a loving wife to mourn his loss.

From other Jurisdictions I have received official notice of the death of the following distinguished Craftsmen:

Arkansas-George Pressley Taylor, Past Grand High Priest.

Maryland-William Henry Shryock, Past Grand High Priest; Geo. L. McCahan, Past General Grand High Priest.

Massachusetts-Thomas Waterman, Past Grand High Priest.

Mississippi-John Logan Power, Grand Secretary.

Ohio—John Day Caldwell, Secretary General Grand Chapter nine years; Grand Secretary, Ohio, twenty-nine years.

Michigan-William L. Webber, Past Grand High Priest.

Texas-William Fellows Swain, Past Grand High Priest.

· Virginia-Ernest Louis Ide, John Howard Wayt, Past Grand High Priests.

West Virginia-Hugh Sterling, Grand Treasurer.

All of these Companions were distinguished and well-known Craftsmen of the Jurisdictions in which they lived, and some had gained national reputations as Masonic authorities and authors. I have appointed a committee to prepare and present suitable resolutions expressing our sympathy, and would recommend that memorial pages be set apart in our proceedings.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

On the recommendation of the Grand High Priest of Virginia I appointed on December 4, 1901, George W. Kincaid of Clifton Forge. Virginia, as our Grand Representative near the Grand Chapter of Virginia. On January 3, 1902, I appointed Companion Calvin W. Brewer of Norman, Oklahoma, our Representative near the Grand Chapter of Oklahoma, on the recommendation of the Grand High Priest of that Jurisdiction. It has been my pleasure to recommend the appointment of Companion Roger W. Woodbury as the Grand Representative of Oregon, and Companion Frank L. Bishop as the Grand Representative of West Virginia. Commissions have been issued and are now in the hands of these Companions. In this connection I will say that I have received but one report from our Grand Representatives during the year, Companion McArthur, our Representative near the Grand Chapter of New York, sending a full and complete report of the transactions of that body at its last Convocation.

DISPENSATIONS.

I have declined in every instance to grant Dispensations to receive petitions for the degrees, or to ballot upon petitions at other than the regular time, where requests for such Dispensations have been made. The reasons given in these requests were in nearly every case to hurry candidates through the degrees to enable them to make a journey, or make application for so-called higher degrees. Not being satisfied in my own mind that it was for the good of Royal Arch Masonry to grant such Dispensations under such circumstances, I declined to do so.

I have issued Dispensations to the following Chapters, and for the purpose stated, the required fee having been paid in each case.

December 27, 1901, to Golden Chapter No. 5, to elect and install its officers at a date subsequent to St. John's Day, they being unable to secure a quorum for the annual meeting.

December 30, 1901, to Orient Chapter No. 32, to install its officers on January 2, 1902.

January 9, 1902, to Steamboat Chapter No. 30, to install officers later than December 27.

January 29, 1902, to Cripple Creek Chapter No. 33, to install its Scribe at the regular Convocation to be held February 3, 1902.

January 16, 1902, to Walsenburg Chapter No. 27, to install their King at a date subsequent to St. John's Day.

April 15, 1902, to Grand Junction Chapter No. 24, to elect and install a Treasurer at the regular Convocation held May 8, 1902.

All of these Dispenations were promptly returned with proper indorsement made thereon. The fees have been turned over to the Grand Secretary.

DISPENSATION FOR NEW CHAPTER.

On January 4, 1902, I issued a Dispensation to fifteen Companions at Florence, Colorado, for a Chapter to be known as Florence Chapter U. D., with Companion John Quiney MacDonald as High Priest, Companion John Calvin McCreary as King, and Companion Moses E. Lewis as Scribe. The petition was recommended by Canon City Chapter No. 14. From the manner in which the petition for Dispensation was made up, and the strong recommendations given the Companions, I had no hesitancy in granting their request, believing they would be able to build up a strong and healthy Chapter. I have no doubt their work will be shown to be "good work, true work, square work," and recommend them for your favorable consideration.

COMMISSIONS.

On October 2, 1901, I issued a commission to Companion Frank M. Anderson of Walsenburg Chapter No. 27, appointing him my proxy to convene said Chapter in the absence of the High Priest, King and Scribe, and to exercise the functions of High Priest thereof, said commission to remain in force until December 27, 1901. This authority was granted on account of the High Priest of the Chapter being absent from the city, and the King and Scribe residing at such a distance from the place of meeting, that it was practically impossible for them to attend. The Chapter had work to do, and I saw no objection to providing a way.

APPROVAL OF BONDS.

On November 6, 1901, I received the bonds of our Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer in the sum of \$5,000.00 each, in the Pacific Surety Company, and approved same.

DECISIONS.

But few questions have been submitted to me, and all of these, with one exception, were covered by our laws. The following, however, I deem of sufficient importance to submit to you.

Suspensions and Reinstatements—Under By-Law No. 69 suspension by Lodge causes suspension in Chapter, and reinstatement in Lodge reinstates in the Chapter. The notation on the Chapter records, while required, does not effect the conditions. The suspensions or reinstatements take effect immediately on the action of the Lodge.

BY-LAWS APPROVED.

On December 9, 1901, I approved a complete code of By-Laws for Idaho Springs Chapter No. 30. On June 16, 1902, I approved an amendment to the By-Laws of Denver Chapter No. 2, allowing the Sentinel \$3.00 for each stated or called convocation.

VISITATIONS.

I have not been able to make as many visits to Subordinate Chapters as I had intended when installed one year ago. My plans were made to take two weeks from active business engagements during July, and devote that entire time to official visitations. On account of the sudden death of one of my business associates in June I found it impossible to leave home for any length of time. This has been a source of regret, as what visits I have been able to make have been greatly enjoyed by me, and in every instance I have been received with the greatest courtesy and hospitality.

On November 14, 1901, accompanied by Companion Tucker, Grand King, Companion Todd, Grand Secretary, Companion Armstrong, Grand Chaplain, Companion Chester, Grand Master Second Veil, and Past Grand High Priests Greenleaf, Titcomb, Burnand, Peirce, and Nicholl, I paid an official visit to Denver Chapter No. 2. The Royal Arch Degree was conferred in an able manner by the regular officers of the Chapter before a large attendance of the Companions of Denver, after which refreshments were served. I found the records to be well kept by their efficient Secretary, Companion Johnston, and the Chapter to be in excellent condition.

On December 9, 1901, I attended the regular annual meeting of Idaho Springs Chapter No. 30 and installed its officers.

On December 28, 1901, in company with Companion Chester, I attended a Special Convocation of Golden Chapter No. 5 and installed its officers, a Special Dispensation having been granted them to elect and install their officers at this Convocation. This Chapter has had

no work for some time, and the Companions are much discouraged. However, if they will take a more active interest and work together for the upbuilding of their Chapter, I believe the sun of prosperity will yet shine upon them.

On May 6, 1902, on invitation, I visited La Junta Chapter No. 20 and witnessed the conferring of the Most Excellent Master Degree on a class of sixteen candidates. The work was done in a most creditable manner, and with music and other accessories the degree was made very beautiful and impressive. After the degree work, accompanied by the ladies, we repaired to the Harvey House, where an elaborate banquet was served. I found this Chapter in a healthy and prosperous condition.

On May 7, 1902, I visited Orient Chapter No. 32, and assisted in conferring the Royal Arch Degree. This Chapter is also growing, and the prospects for the future are bright. The officers did their work well and all seemed pleased to receive their first visit from a Grand Officer.

On May 26, 1902, I paid an official visit to my home Chapter, No. 30, and conferred the Royal Arch Degree.

On May 27, 1902, accompanied by a delegation of six Companions of my home Chapter, I visited Central City Chapter No. 1, and witnessed the conferring of the Royal Arch Degree in a manner that reflected much credit on the officers. The reputation of the Masons of Central City as entertainers was well sustained on this occasion.

On August 21, 1902, I attended a Special Convocation of Idaho Springs Chapter No. 30 and conferred the Royal Arch Degree. Delegations from both Central City and Georgetown were present on this occasion, and the usual banquet followed after the work.

I desire to here return my thanks to the officers and members of Chapters I have visited for the many courtesies extended and the hospitable treatment received.

WORK.

I have invited Colorado Chapter No. 29 of Denver to confer the Royal Arch Degree before the Grand Chapter this evening. The invitation has been accepted, and I trust every Representative will be present. This arrangement has been made with a view of giving the Representatives from Subordinate Chapters an opportunity of seeing this dgree conferred, with all accessories. It will be somewhat in the nature of a school of instruction, and I think will be appreciated.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I am of the opinion that it would be of material benefit to the Chapters throughout the State to repeal that portion of By-Law No. 46B, requiring a petitioner for the degrees to have been a Master Mason six months before his petition can be received. The object of this law was undoubtedly to compel candidates to become proficient in the work of Symbolic Masonry before receiving the Capitular Degrees. While the object is good, I question its being attained. On the other hand, when the candidate has received the Master Mason's Degree and is informed that he must wait six months before he can gain further Masonic light in the Chapter, in many cases he will lose interest and join other organizations. Unless there is a desire on the part of the candidate to make a study of Masonry and become proficient in its work, you cannot force him to do so with a By-Law. I consider this a matter of some importance to the Chapters of the Jurisdiction, and would recommend its careful consideration by the committee to whom it may be referred. I would further suggest that the committee consult with the High Priests present to get their views as to the practical working of the By-Law.

And now, Companions, the work of the year and the record of my official acts are before you. I trust you will find them in accordance with the law and custom of this Jurisdiction. I have endeavored to make them so. The duties of the office have been neither numerous nor arduous. I have given prompt attention to all matters submitted, and have done all I could for the upbuilding and advancement of Capitular Masonry in this Jurisdiction. It has been a pleasure to discharge the duties of the office. I have considered my work in the quarries a labor of love and only a small compensation for the honors received at the hands of my Companions.

To the associate Grand Officers, and especially our Grand Secretary, whom I have found always ready to assist me in every way, I extend my grateful thanks.

As I relinquish the badge of authority and take my place on the floor of the Chapter, my earnest hope and prayer will be, "May the Lord bless thee, and keep thee; the Lord make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace."

WM. L. BUSH, Grand High Priest.

Which Committee subsequently reported as follows: To the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado:

Your Committee on Division and Reference recommend that so much of the Grand High Priest's address as alludes to the traternal dead be referred to Committee on Necrology.

That portion which refers to Grand Representatives be referred to Committee on Correspondence.

200.00

462.75

That portion regarding By-Law No. 46B be referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

That portion referring to Special Dispensations, decisions and recommendations be referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

That portion referring to Dispensation for new chapter be referred to Committee on Returns and Work.

That all other actions of Grand High Priest be approved.

MARSHALL H. DEAN. N. C. MILLER, GEO. D. LAWSON.

Committee.

The reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary were then read and referred to the Finance Committee.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

FRANK L. BISHOP, GRAND TREASURER,

IN ACCOUNT WITH

GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF COLORADO. SEPTEMBER 18TH, 1902.

1901.		
Sept. 19.	Balance, as per statement	\$2,152.96
Oct. 4.	By Grand Secretary	19.80
Nov. 27. 1902.	By Grand Secretary	9.60
May 16.	By Grand Secretary	10.01
Aug. 30.	By Grand Secretary	700.80
Sept. 8.	By Grand Secretary	1,308.60
Sept. 13.	By Grand Secretary	214.80
	-	\$4,416.57
	WARRANTS DRAWN.	
1901.	No.	Amout.
Sept. 19.	Geo. W. Roe, expenses Grand High Priest244	\$ 59.05
Sept. 19.	Thos. Nicholi, Grand Sentinel245	10.00
Sept. 19.	Thos. Fairhurst, janitor246	5.00
Sept. 19.	P. C. Johnson, elevator247	5.00
Sept. 19.	W. M. Jones, fireman248	3.00
Sept. 19.	Wm. D. Todd, G. Sec., Contingent Fund249	200.00
Sept. 19.	Wm. D. Todd, G. Treas., Pay Roll250	364.30
Oct. 3.	Wm. D. Todd, Dft. C. G. Braxmar Co251	25.00
Nov. 5.	F. L. Bishop, bonds Gr. Sec. and Treas252	50.00
Nov. 7	73 7 37 73 man (1) m (2)	100.00
1101	E. L. N. Foster, Com. Correspondence253	100.00

Dec. 21. W. D. Todd, salary to Dec. 19, 1901......254

Dec. 30. W. F. Robinson Ptg. Co., 606 Proc'gs '01......255

1902.	•	
Jan. 1	4. Christopher C. Fox, Grand Chaplain, dues 1901256	\$ 27.38
Feb. 2	6. W. D. Todd, services to March 19, 1902257	200,00
May	7. W. D. Todd, on account	66.66
June 3	3. W. D. Todd, balance salary to June 18, 1902259	133.34
Sept.	8. W. D. Todd, salary to Sept. 18, 1902260	200.00
Sept.	8. W. L. Bush, expense account261	34.97
	•	\$2,146.45
	receipts	
Total	disbursements	2,146.45
Sept. 1	8, 1902. Balance on hand	\$2,270.12

For which find certified check and vouchers for disbursements.

Fraternally submitted.

FRANK L. BISHOP, Grand Treasurer.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado:

I hereby submit my report as your Grand Secretary for the current Masonic year.

All the Chapters have made reports and paid dues, but several of them not in time required by our statutes. I am quite sure that the Secretaries of our Chapters do not fully appreciate the troubles of your Grand Secretary when he is unable to advise the Committees of the Grand Chapter of the condition of the Craft by reason of some one or more Chapters having failed to make their proper reports.

GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER DUES FOR 1902.

Character .			Ex-	Mem-	
Chapter.	No.	When paid.	alted.	bers.	Amount.
Central City	. 1	Sept. 3, 1902	6	93	\$73.80
Denver	. 2	Aug. 29, 1902	18	531	372.60
Pueblo	. 3	Sept. 1, 1902	5	76	60,60
Georgetown	. 4	Sept. 1, 1902		25	15.00
Golden	. 5	Sept. 3, 1902		23	13.80
Colorado Springs	. 6	Sept. 5, 1902	6	170	120,00
Boulder	. 7	Sept. 3, 1902	9	123	100.80
Longmont	. 8	Sept. 3, 1902	•••	72	43.20
Leadville	. 10	Sept. 4, 1902	9	111	93.60
Cache la Poudre	11	Aug. 27, 1902	•••	66	39.60
South Pueblo	. 12	Sept. 3, 1902	3	113	76.80
Greeley	. 13	Aug. 28, 1902	3	82	58.20
Canon City	. 14	Sept. 4, 1902	2	125	81,00
San Juan	15	Aug. 29, 1902	3	70	51.00

		Ex-	Mem-	
Chapter. No.	When paid.	alted.		Amount.
Gunnison 16	Sept. 4, 1902		40	\$24.00
Salida 17	Sept. 5, 1902	5	55	48.00
San Luis Valley 18	Sept. 6, 1902	2	56	39.60
Keystone 19	Sept. 4, 1902	3	60	45.00
La Junta 20	Aug. 30, 1902	15	68	85.80
Kilwinning 21	Sept. 3, 1902	6	76	63.60
Glenwood 22	Sept. 3, 1902	ĸ	67	58.20
Trinidad 23	Aug. 28, 1902	7	104	83.40
Grand Junction 24	Sept. 4, 1902	3	68	49.80
Montrose 25	Sept. 1, 1902	11	47	61.20
Akron 26	Sept. 8, 1902	•••	24	14.40
Walsenburg 27	Sept. 11, 1902	5	40	39.00
Telluride 28	Sept. 8, 1902	3	57	43,20
Colorado 29	Aug. 29, 1902	13	180	147.00
Idaho Springs 30	Aug. 9, 1902	6	47	46.20
Fort Morgan 31	Sept. 5, 1902	5	31	33.60
Orient 32	Sept. 18, 1902	9	42	52.20
Cripple Creek 33	Sept. 5, 1902	13	116	108.60
Steamboat Springs 34	Sept. 10, 1902	6	24	32.40
FlorenceU. D.	Sept. 15, 1902	9	24	27.00
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Balance on hand, 1901				\$ 30.60
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Dispensations 6.0 Dividend, old Union National Bank account (in full) 10.0				
Old dues				
Dues, 1902				
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Fraternally submitted,

WM. D. TODD, Grand Secretary.

APRON.

Companion George D. Kennedy (6) offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence:

Resolved, That By-Law No. 98 be amended so as to read: "The Apron shall be worn over the outer garment in all public processions."

GEORGE D. KENNEDY, ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER, JOHN HUMPHREYS, W. J. BRECKEL, JOHN WILLIAMS, FRANK L. BISHOP,

CORRESPONDENCE.

Companion Ernest Le Neve Foster (29), from the Committee on Correspondence, submitted his report, which was ordered published in the Proceedings. (See appendix.)

The Grand Chapter was then called from labor to refreshments until 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Thursday, Sept. 18, 1902, 2 o'clock p. m.

The Grand Chapter resumed labor, Grand High Priest Bush presiding.

ANNUAL ELECTION.

The Grand Chapter then proceeded to the election, the Grand High Priest having appointed as Tellers Companions Eugene S. Cohen (6), G. F. Chase (7), W. S. Rainbow (16), and A. G. Chamberlain (30), and the election resulted as follows:

JOHN HUMPHREYS (23), Trinidad	G. H. P.
CROMWELL TUCKER (2), Denver	
DAVID R. CROSBY (24), Grand Junction	
CHAS. O. UNFUG (27), Pueblo	
JOHN GREGOR (2), Denver	G. Treas.
WM. D. TODD (2), Denver	G. Sec'y.

JURISPRUDENCE.

Companion Hart (3), from the Committee on Jurisprudence, submitted the following report, which, on motion, was adopted except as to By-Laws therein referred to, and after consideration By-Law 46b was lost, not having received the necessary majority, and By-Law 98 was adopted as amended:

To the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, to whom was referred certain portions of the Most Excellent Grand High Priest's address, fraternally report as follows:

Your Committee approve the official acts of our Grand High Priest as follows:

First—All Dispensations granted. Second—All Dispensations refused.

Third-The decision as rendered approved.

Fourth—That By-Law 46b be amended by striking out the following: "And shall have been a Master Mason for that period."

Fifth—That By-Law No. 98 be amended so as to read: "The Apron shall be worn over the outer garment in all public processions."

Sixth—Your Committee recommends that this Grand Chapter shall establish the office of Grand Lecturer, who shall have charge, of the esoteric work.

Fraternally submitted,
C. J. HART,
W. D. PEIRCE,
MARSHALL H. DEAN,
Committee on Jurisprudence.

FINANCE.

The following reports from the Committee on Finance were severally submitted and each adopted:

To the M. E. Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado:

We, your Finance Committee, respectfully report that we have examined the reports of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and find them correct as follows, to-wit:

GRAND SECRETARY.

Balance on hand, 1901	iO
Received from dues, 1901	20
Received from dues, 1902 2,250.0	ю
Received from dividend from Union National Bank, on acct 10.0)1
Received from Dispensation for Chapter at Florence 90.0	Ж.
Received from Dispensation from Grand High Priest 6.6)0
Received from Lamar Chapter No. 32, dues 1902 52.2	20
Total\$2.440.0	-)1
Paid Grand Treasurer as per receipts	31
Balanch cash on hand, Grand Secretary \$ 176.6	10
GRAND TREASURER.	
Balance on hand, 1901	36
Received from Grand Secretary	31
Total	57
Paid warrants from 244 to 261, inclusive	15

Balance on hand (cash)......\$2,270.12

For which a certified check for this amount and vouchers for disbursements was presented your committee.

We would further report that we have had under consideration the resolution offered by Ex-Companion George J. Dunbaugh and others, and which was referred to your committee for report at this Grand Convocation, the same to be found on pages 38 and 39 of the proceedings of 1901.

That we, having carefully considered the subject, are of the opinion and do recommend that Section 16 of the Constitution of this Grand Chapter be amended so as to read as follows: "He shall receive annually for his services the sum of \$700, payable quarterly by warrants drawn upon the Grand Treasurer."

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. SANFORD,

J. B. HERSHEY,

C. S. DESCH,

Finance Committee.

APPROPRIATIONS.

To the M. E. Grand Chapter:

We, your Finance Committee, would recommend that warrants be drawn on the Grand Treasurer for the following amounts:

200
100
378

\$701.10

Fraternally submitted,

J. C. SANFORD,

C. S. DESCH,

J. B. HERSHEY,

Finance Committee.

PAY ROLL GRAND CHAPTER R. A. M., SEPT. 18, 1902.

		Per diem.	Exp.	Total.
Wm. L. Bush, G. H. P		\$ 3.00	\$ 1.70	\$ 4.70
Jno. Humphreys, D. G. H. P	. 2	3.00		3.00
Cromwell Tucker, G. K	. 3	3.00		3.00
David R. Crosby, G. S	. 4	3.00	20.00	23.00
Frank L. Bishop, G. Treas	. 5	3.00	• • • • •	3.00
Wm. D. Todd, G. Sec'y	. 6	3.00	• • • • • •	3.00
Chas. O. Unfug, G. C. H	. 7	3.00		3.00

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Chapters—	00 2.55 5.55
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NECROLOGY.

Companion L. N. Greenleaf (2) submitted the following report on Necrology, which was adopted:

To the M. E. Grand R. A. Chapter of Colorado:

Your Committee on Necrology would respectfully report the following:

We are constantly reminded that we are under the shadow of death.

As we enter our Grand Tabernacle we miss the presence of one who in days past was a prominent worker in Capitular Masoury, and one of the organizers of this Grand Chapter-Companion Jacob A. J. Bigler, Past Grand King, who died at his residence in this city on New Year's day, after a brief illness. He was born in Virginia on July 31, 1828. With a number of others from that state, he went to California in 1849 during the gold excitement, and it is said that what he saw of this Western country during his trip across the plains at that time, induced him later to turn his footsteps thither and settle in Colorado in 1865. We are without data as to his early life and the notable events in his history before coming to Colorado. It is said that he was a member of the bodyguard of General Fremont, and participated in several severe conflicts with the Indians. His Masonic record is as follows: Initiated in Knightstown, Indiana, and received the degrees of F. C. and M. M. in Denver Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M., in September, 1870; elected J. W. in 1873 and 1874, and W. M. in 1875; exalted in Denver R. A. Chapter No. 2, July 31, 1871, and for thirteen years was a zealous officer therein, serving as High Priest in 1879. He was elected Grand King of this Grand Chapter in 1883.

Farewell, dear Companion of other days,
"Thou hast resigned the workman's robe,
For brighter raiments there;
Thy toil is o'er, thy work is done,
The cap-stone's laid, the trumph won."

While it is customary to pay these tributes to those who have attained exalted rank, we are not unmindful of those beloved Companions in our Subordinate Chapters who have received the summons of the Death Angel and passed within the white veil of the Inner Sanctuary on High.

"From the dust of the weary highway, From the smart of sorrow's rod, Into the royal presence,
They are bidden as guests of God:
The veil from their eyes is taken,
Sweet mysterics they are shown,
Their doubts and fears are over;
For they know as they are known.

"For them then should be rejoicing And festival array,
As for the bride in her beauty,
Whom love hath taken away—
Sweet hours of peaceful waiting
Till the path that we have trod
Shall end at the Father's gateway,
And we are the guests of God."

We have received the mournful announcement of the death of Companion George Lewis McCahan, Past General Grand High Priest. who died at Glyndon Park, Baltimore, Md., July 30, 1902. He was born in Frederick, Maryland, February 5, 1838. Few men had rendered more continuous service in Masonry. He was made a Mason in Union Lodge No. 60, Maryland, July 12, 1860, and for nearly forty years he was a conspicuous figure in Masonic bodies, serving six terms as W. M. of his Lodge, and nineteen years as Treasurer. He also filled many important offices in the Grand Lodge, and was Deputy Grand Master in 1885-6. He was exalted in Concordia Chapter No. 1, October 6, 1863; served as High Priest from 1866 to 1872. He was Grand High Priest in 1871-2, and Grand Secretary from 1879 till 1901. He first attended the General Grand Chapter in Baltimore. September 19, 1871. He was elected General Grand Scribe in Washington in 1886, General Grand King at Atlanta in 1889, and in 1891 he was elected Deputy General Grand High Priest at Minneapolis. The death of General Grand High Priest Joseph P. Horner a year later devolved upon him the duties of his chief, and in that capacity he presided at the Twenty-ninth Triennial at Topeka, Kansas, in 1804, and he was elected General Grand High Priest. In all branches of Masonry he had rendered efficient service.

> "Dead! and the sun still shines; Just dead, and the soft wind a-blowing. Dead! while the blue lake dimples and smiles, And the rowers sing at their rowing.

"The world goes on the same, Scarce a leaf on the elm tree flutters; While the blowing breath of the summer woods Sifts in through the half-open shutters.

"They have called death the end, When it is but just the beginning; How trifling a price this life to pay For an immortality's winning."

The mournful announcements received from other Grand Chapters remind us that our Sister Grand Jurisdictions lament the loss of honored Companions who have left their impress upon Capitular Masonry, and whose fame is a precious heirloom to their Companions in their own and other Jurisdictions.

Resolved, That to the Grand Chapters of Arkansas, Kansas, Ohio, Mississippi, Massachusetts, Maryland, Michigan, New York, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia we tender our fraternal sympathy for the great losses they have sustained in the death of their most venerated and exalted Companions.

"We sigh for the touch of a vanished hand—
The hand of a friend most dear,
Who has passed from our side to the shadowy land,—
But what of the hand that is near?

To the living's touch is the soul inert
That weeps o'er the silent urn?
For the love that lives is our hand alert
To make some sweet return?

Do we answer back in a fretful tone, When life's duties press us sore? Is our praise as full as if they were gone, And could hear our praise no more?

As the days go by, are our hands more swift
For a trifle beyond their share,
Than to grasp—for a kindly, helpful lift—
The burden someone must bear?

We sigh for the touch of a vanished hand, And we think ourselves sincere; But what of the friends that about us stand, And the touch of the hand that's here?"

Fraternally submitted,

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF, C. F. BARTELL.

PAST GRAND HIGH PRIEST WEST.

Companion John S. Titcomb (7) offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted, after having been amended by motion of Companion Kennedy that the portrait of Companion West be also included in the Proceedings:

Whereas, Since the last convocation of this Grand Chapter, M. E. Brother Henry T. West has finished fifty years of his Masonic life, be it

Resolved, That our congratulations be extended to Companion West on his half century as an intelligent, active, faithful and zealous Mason, with hearty good wishes for continued health and happiness.

Further, That this resolution be spread upon the minutes and that an engrossed copy be forwarded to Companion West by our Grand Secretary.

RETURNS AND WORK.

Companion Geo. W. Roe (14) submitted the following report from the Committee on Returns and Work, which was adopted:

To the Most Excellent Grand Chapter:

Your Committee on Returns and Work of Chapters U. D. would respectfully report that we have carefully examined the returns of Florence Chapter U. D., stationed at Florence, Colorado.

The Dispensation was issued January 4, 1902, to fifteen Companions, since which time they have held twenty Convocations, have advanced, inducted and received twelve, and exalted nine.

Their records and papers are kept clean and neat, but are not in conformity with the regular method of keeping the record of Convocations.

Their Record shows that Convocations were opened by the High Priest, but do not show who filled the remaining stations, or what other Companions were present, and in one instance the Record does not show anyone present except four Brethren who were advanced to the degree of Mark Master, and are signed by the Secretary.

There is, however, a table on page six of their minute book, showing what officers were present and absent at each Convocation, but does not show who filled the stations of absent officers.

The Record should show the names of Companions filling the different stations at each meeting of the Chapter.

We recommend that their Code of By-Laws be approved, except Section 1, Article 8, which reads as follows: "The Treasurer shall keep a correct account of the funds of the Chapter, and render a just statement of the receipts and disbursements whenever required, and also at the Annual Convocation in December."

We recommend that there be added to this By-Law the words, "He shall furnish a certificate of deposit or certified check for the Chapter funds in his care, and that Section 4, Article 8, be stricken out, as its intent and meaning is covered by the foregoing section."

We further recommend that Section 1, Article 11, which reads as follows: "No member shall be eligible to the office of Excellent High Priest in this Chapter for more than two consecutive years," be stricken out, as it conflicts with By-Law No. 36 of this Grand Chapter. We further recommend that a Charter be issued to the said Chapter under the name and designation of Florence Chapter No. 35, R. A. M., with Companion John Quincey McDonald as High Priest, John Calvin McCreary as King, and Moses E. Lewis as Scribe, and the following Companions as members:

Alfred Dorfer,
Charles Neely,
Wm. Joseph Daniel,
James Wilson Rambo,
M. Nathaniel Lines,
Wm. Henry Davie,
John Edward Blunt,
Delbert Adolphus Jack,
Frank Keller,
John A. Patterson,
Wm. D. White,

Thomas Jefferson McEniry.
Hugh Louis Rice,
Jos. Braine Reynolds, Sr.,
Thos. Edwin Walters,
Melvin A. Mouser,
Chas. Franklin Smith,
Wm. C. Stevenson,
Alfred F. Meyers,
Phillip A. Shirar,
Lewis Yost.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE W. ROE,
JOHN WILLIAMS,
C. W. STRINGFIELD,
Committee.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Companion George T. Cooper (2), from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, reported that such harmony existed throughout the entire Jurisdiction that the Committee had been unable to find anything to do, there having been no appeals or grievances submitted for their consideration.

COMPANION HENRY A. McINTYRE.

Companion Fred. A. Williams (2) submitted the following general statement regarding the expulsion of Companion Henry A. McIntyre, formerly a member of Colorado Chapter No. 6, Colorado, and moved that he be

restored to good standing in his Chapter, which motion was adopted:

STATEMENT.

A Blue Lodge Mason was expelled by his Lodge in 1880. He was restored by the Grand Lodge in 1902, upon the recommendation of his Blue Lodge, and a dimit was accordingly issued to him by the Grand Secretary.

His Chapter took no action upon his expulsion, but the Secretary of his Chapter in 1881 reported him to the Grand Chapter as having been expelled by the Blue Lodge.

Query: What is his present status with reference to this Chapter?

By-Laws 70, 83, 84, Proceedings of 1901.

RULING PROPOSED.

As the action of the Blue Lodge ipse facto deprived him of all his rights and privileges as a Chapter Mason, and of his membership in the Chapter, without any action by his Chapter—

So the action of the Grand Lodge ipse facto restored him to all the same rights and privileges, and to his former standing as a Chapter Mason without any action by his Chapter, but did not restore him to membership in his Chapter.

And the Secretary of the Grand Chapter, having suitable evidence of the action of the Grand Lodge, should issue to him a certificate operating as a dimit from his Chapter.

Companion Dean (22) moved to reconsider the motion whereby the recommendation in the foregoing was adopted, and the same was duly reconsidered, and then, upon motion of Companion Peirce, it was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who subsequently reported as follows:

To the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence fraternally report the following decision concerning expelled Masons: See Section 3, page 249, General Grand Chapter Proceedings.

Fraternally submitted,

C. J. HART, W. D. PEIRCE, M. H. DEAN,

Under the decision above referred to, Companion McIntyre was, upon motion of Companion Peirce (2), restored to all his rights as a Royal Arch Mason (not to membership in his Chapter.)

INVITATION.

Hall of Denver, Chapter No. 2, R. A. M., Denver, Colo., Sept. 18, 1892.

To the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado:

Greeting: Denver Chapter No. 2, Royal Arch Masons, sends fraternal greeting to the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of the State of Colorado, and extends to the officers and members thereof a most cordial invitation to be present at a reception and entertainment to be given in the Masonic Temple on the evening of Thursday, October 9. The families of all Royal Arch Masons are included in this invitation, and we sincerely hope that all Companions will set apart this evening and join with us in spending a pleasant and profitable evening.

Yours fraternally,

M. GRANT HAMILTON, Acting High Priest Denver Chapter No. 2, R. A. M.

Companions H. P. STEELE,

HENRY DOWSON,
MELVIN EDWARDS,
DAVID MITCHELL,
CHARLES H. SCOTT,
ASA M. BACON,
J. H. KNIGHT,
JOHN GREGOR,
HENRY LOTZ,
ROBERT M. SIMMONS,
PERRY K. PRATT,
Executive Committee.

The officers and members of the Grand Chapter were advised by the Grand High Priest to attend this Reception of Denver Chapter No. 2.

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS.

The Grand Secretary read the list of appointive officers:

TYLER D. HEISKELL (31), Fort Morgan	G. C. H.
JOSEPH W. MILSOM (14), Denver	G. P. S.
WILLIAM W. COOPER (12), Pueblo	G. R. A. C.
J. E. CHESTER (30), Idaho Springs	G. M. 3rd V.
GEORGE D. KENNEDY (6), Colorado Springs	G. M. 2nd V.
JOHN B. HERSHEY (23), Trinidad	G. M. 1st V.
ANDREW ARMSTRONG (11), Fort Collins	G. Chaplain
THOMAS NICHOLL (2), Denver	G. Sentinel

INSTALLATION.

Grand High Priest Bush installed Grand High Priest-elect John Humphreys, who thereupon installed the other elected and appointed officers of the Grand Chapter.

PRESENTATION OF JEWEL.

Grand High Priest Humphreys presented Companion Bush, the retiring Grand High Priest, with a Grand High Priest's jewel, the presentation and acceptance both evidencing that the jewel was worthily bestowed and highly appreciated.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Grand High Priest appointed the following:

COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

JAMES H, PEABODY (14). W. D. PEIRCE (2). WM. L. BUSH (30).

COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER (29). HENRY T. WEST (13). TRUMAN WALDRON (21) The minutes were read and approved, and the Twenty-eighth Annual Convocation was closed in Ample Form.

JOHN HUMPHREYS,

Grand High Priest.

Attest:

Grand Secretary.

APPENDIX.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.
RETURNS OF CHAPTERS.
STATISTICAL TABLES.
LAWS.
PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL OF HIGH

PRIESTHOOD.

REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Most Excellent Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado:

Our sixteenth report on correspondence is now presented to you, hoping it may meet with the same amount of approval that has been granted us before. In this review of Jurisdictions in fraternal correspondence with us, we have examined the transactions of:

1.	Alabama1901	24.	Nevada1902
2.	Arizona	25.	New Brunswick1901
3.	Arkansas1901	26.	New Hampshire . 1901-1902
4.	California1902	27.	New Jersey1902
5.	Canada1902	28.	New Mexico1901
6.	Connecticut1902	29.	New York1902
7.	Delaware	30.	North Carolina1902
8.	District of Columbia1901	31.	North Dakota1901-1902
9.	Florida1902	32,	Nova Scotia1901
10.	Georgia1902	33.	Ohio1901
11.	Illinois1901	34.	Oregon1902
12.	Indian Territory1902	35.	Pennsylvania1901
13.	Kansas1901-1902	36.	Quebec1902
14.	Kentucky1901	37.	Rhode Island1901
15.	Louisiana1902	38.	South Carolina1901
16.	Maine1901	39.	South Dakota1902
17.	Maryland1901	40.	Tennessee1902
18.	Michigan1902	41.	Texas1901
19.	Minnesota1901	42.	Virginia1901
20.	Mississippi1902	43.	Washington1902
21.	Missouri1902	44.	West Virginia1901
22.	Montana1901	45.	Wisconsin1902
23.	Nebraska1901		

And now give a synopsis of their proceedings in alphabetical order.

ALABAMA, 1901.

Seventy-Fifth Annual.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama met in Annual Convocation at Masonic Temple, in Montgomery, December 2, M. E. George F. Moore, Grand High Priest, in his station, with a complete list of subordinate officers and representatives from thirty-one Constituent Chapters.

His address commences with an allusion to a sadness which has overshadowed his life during his term of office, the loss of his wife, who for twenty-five years had been the joy and sunshine of his home, and he thanks the Masonic Brethren for the sympathy he received.

On the condition of Capitular Masonry he makes the following report:

It will be a matter of sincere regret to all that six of our Chapters have gone out of existence. But this has been overbalanced by the establishment of three new Chapters and the reorganization of three Chapters which had ceased to exist. Practically we have established six new Chapters during the Masonic year which has just passed.

Having had to appoint a Grand Secretary to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Companion H. Clay Armstrong, he gives it as his opinion that it would be well to select the Companion who is Grand Secretary of Lodge and Commandery, as he thinks the fraternity will get better service by combining the offices.

On the Ritual he says that over twenty-five years of actual experience convinces him that for growth and success two things are essential:

First, knowledge of the work by officers and members; and second, discharging the practical duties of the Fraternity. Officers who do not know the work of the Chapter, or who have no notion of the manner in which it should be rendered, will not attend the Convocations. When they learn the work, however, they not only attend, but frequently become zealous and intelligent Masons. Let us remember that it is not every man who has been admitted to a Lodge or Chapter who is a Mason. The real Masonic jewels to be worn by us are the three which we learn in the degree of a Fellow of the Craft. We can in a measure supply this desideratum, knowledge of the work, by putting it into the hands of the officers of the Chapter, as the resolution adopted last year contemplated. But how can we supply the other essential to future prosperity?

How can we deal with that Companion who is unmindful of his obligations? What shall we say of that Royal Arch Mason to whom obligations? What shall we say of that Royal Arch Mason to whom his Companion Royal Arch Mason is no more than any other man—no more than any stranger? "A man beholds his face in a glass and straightway forgets what manner of man he is," and so men assume obligations and straightway forget them! Let us ask ourselves, Do we live up to the lessons of companionship taught in the Royal Arch obligations? Is the Mason any more to us than the stranger? These are questions which will have no audible answer, but all will recognize the need of making our Masonry real, practical and true. Knowledge of the work and of our mutual ties will assist in strengthening the bonds of brotherhood, as will attendance on the Lodges and the various social meetings which attendance on the Lodges and the various social meetings which some Lodges and Chapters employ with such great advantage.

A resolution was introduced to give concurrent jurisdiction between the Chapters in Florida, near the boundary line, which, after reference to the Jurisprudence Committee was adopted so as to read:

That the M. E. Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons in the State of Alabama, reciprocating the fraternal sentiments embodied in the foregoing resolution (Resolution of Grand Chapter of Florida permitting concurrent jurisdiction on the border), hereby recognizes concurrent jurisdiction with the Most Excellent Grand Chapter of Florida, of all material residing within five miles of the boundary or State line between Alabama and Florida, provided the applicant who resides within five miles of said State line does not reside within ten miles of an organized Chapter in Alabama. Further,

Resolved, That the Grand Chapter of Alabama recognizes similar concurrent Jurisdiction with the Grand Chapters of Georgia, Tennessee and Mississippi, to become operative upon the passage by

said Grand Chapters of resolutions of like import.

A resolution permitting substitutes in the Royal Arch Degree was passed.

A resolution of sympathy with the Grand High Priest in his bereavement was passed and spread upon the record.

Tyrian Chapter No. 54 has to toe the mark or go out of existence. It was allowed ninety days in which to file report for the two past years and pay its dues.

The Grand Chapter endorsed the Widows' and Orphans' Home and pledged its support to the M. W. Grand Lodge in that undertaking.

Hereafter Grand Representative commissions will be for three years only, expiring with the meeting of the General Grand Chapter.

The M. E. Grand High Priest and the Committee on Work are empowered and authorized to prepare proper work for opening and closing ceremonies of Grand Chapters. It looks as though such a thing is altogether unnecessary. Open a Royal Arch Chapter properly and if sufficient chapters are represented declare the Grand Chapter opened. It is far better than grand and elaborate entrance of the Grand High Priest and Officers, etc.

The Grand Secretary is authorized to purchase jewels and aprons for the Grand Chapter, not to exceed in cost \$175.00.

A splendid Report of 158 pages, full of life and thought on the transactions of forty-six Jurisdictions, is the contribution of Companion William Y. Titcomb to these proceedings.

He corrects one of our statements concerning the exemplification of the degrees before that Grand Body in 1899, and magnanimously says, "No charge for the correction." We, in a like brotherly spirit, say, "We accept the apology."

It's all right to stand by the statute so long as it is on the Capitular Statute Book, but we are with the other fellows, of whom you say:

Companions Swain of Wisconsin, Perkins of Vermont, Henderson of Pennsylvania, Bennett of Canada, and a few others, have essayed to "make it warm" for the Grand Chapter of Alabama about that resolution admitting ministers free. When we are convinced they hold the correct view we will "own up like a little man." Candor compels us to admit there is force in what they urge, but while the law remains on our Capitular Statute Book we shall remain loyal thereto.

ARIZONA, 1901.

Twelfth Annual.

A true and faithful transcript of the proceedings held November 13, at Prescott, is certified to by Companion George J. Roskruge, Grand Secretary. M. E. Companion Frederick Arnold Sweet, Grand High Priest, whose face we are introduced to on opening the pamphlet, is now at the head of the Royal Craft, but M. E. Companion George Sands opened Grand Chapter with the representatives of five Chartered Chapters present. He made a very concise

report, as it only covers two pages of the transactions and relates to business only. He said:

I have but little to report officially for the year. I have made no decisions, have received no communications.

The membership in the six Chapters is 341.

The Grand Representatives present, eleven in number, were presented before the Altar by the Grand Captain of the Host, introduced and received with the Grand Honors.

There is no Report on Correspondence.

ARKANSAS, 1901.

Fifty-second Annual.

The Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter assembled in regular Annual Convocation at the City of Little Rock, November 20. Thomas H. Jones, M. E. Grand High Priest, opened the Chapter in Ample Form, thirty-seven Chapters being represented. He reported a few decisions of local interest only. He granted one Dispensation for a new Chapter, the wisdom of which was confirmed by the issuing of a Charter during the session.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances expressed pleasure at being able to make a report on nothing to do.

The Grand Secretary's salary was raised to \$500 per year.

Membership, 2,032.

The Report on Correspondence is very brief, a trifle over two pages, but in that Colorado figures more largely than any other Jurisdiction, for he says:

Companion William A. Davies, of California, scores us pretty hard on our "whisky" resolution, under Colorado, and endorses what Companion Foster said about the "Saloon Regulation." Guess he thought we would not see it under Colorado, but we read your report, Companion Davies, and don't think our resolution needs any defense. But, notwithstanding, Companion Foster disapproved our "Saloon Regulation," we found in the By-Laws of the Grand Chapter of Colorado this language: "Sec. 65. It shall be unlawful to advance or affiliate any person who is engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage."

That's right, Companion Laughlin; but Companion Foster doesn't always think the same way as the majority of his Grand Chapter, and Grand Chapter graciously permits him to air his own opinions, but doesn't hold itself responsible for them.

CALIFORNIA, 1902.

Forty-Eighth Annual.

A fine portrait of Grand High Priest Samuel H. Wagner is found on opening the proceedings of the Annual Convocation, held Tuesday, April 15. Sixty-six Chartered Chapters and one U. D. were represented. The Grand High Priest said:

The year has been an uneventful one, with but few, if any, of what might be called grievances, and I have been asked to decide but very few questions. The High Priests throughout the State are men of intelligence and capable of interpreting the laws satisfactorily.

He granted a Dispensation for a new Chapter and also constituted a new Chapter.

Of the Grand Lecturer he said:

We have been fortunate in times past to have men who were willing, from the love of the Order, to give their time and services to this position. But the magnitude of the work now is such that it seems to me unworthy of the dignity of the Grand Chapter to expect that any man who is competent to fill such a position should do so gratuitously. I would recommend, therefore, that a salary, commensurate with the responsibility of the position and the amount of time and labor involved, be paid to the Grand Lecturer.

On this recommendation a salary of \$300 per year was provided.

The surrender of the Charter of Washington Chapter was accepted.

A proposed amendment to increase the minimum fees for the degrees to \$50, from which sum they had been reduced ten years previously, was, after careful consideration by the Jurisprudence Committee, considered unadvisable, and was not adopted.

Seventeen Deputy Grand Lecturers were appointed and districts assigned them by the Grand Lecturer.

Membership, 6,620.

The Report on Correspondence is the work of Companion William A. Davies and covers 143 pages, reviewing forty-seven Jurisdictions. Colorado's Twenty-seventh Annual (not Thirty-seventh Annual), receives attention in a little over two pages. As we have before stated, he comments so little that we don't get a chance to disagree with him; but for all that he makes a report of great value to his own Jurisdiction, for it contains all the good things found in proceedings of other Jurisdictions.

CANADA, 1902.

Forty-fourth Annual.

The Grand Chapter met in Toronto January 22, at which M. E. Companion William Gibson, Grand Lecturer, and his two associates were on the Throne, and the other officers, mostly pro tems., occupied their stations. After opening in Ample Form, the Committee on Credentials reported one hundred Warranted and three U. D. Chapters on the roll, of which seventy-one were represented. Of those gone before, mention is made of Edward C. Parmelee, and Moses A. Adams, a Past Grand High Priest. The latter is entirely a mistake, for we never had a member of that name in Grand Chapter in any capacity, and we never heard of one even in the Jurisdiction.

The Grand Z. says in his address in regard to the resolutions of sympathy addressed to His Majesty King Edward on the death of the late beloved Queen:

Before forwarding the address, which was beautifully executed in colors appropriate to the occasion, the Grand Scribe E. procured half tones of the four pages, and they will appear in the printed proceedings.

These half-tones are used as the frontispiece to the proceedings, and show, as well as a half-tone can, the tasteful and elegant manner in which the address was gotten up.

He had started to work three Chapters U. D., two of which had their Dispensations continued, and the other,

practically a resuscitated Chapter, was granted the renewal of the old Charter.

Grand Superintendent's reports from the several districts give information concerning the condition of the Craft, which appears to be very satisfactory, with substantial progress being made.

The finances are in a prosperous condition. Grants for benevolent purposes to widows and others for various sums, amounting in all to \$665, were made.

The Grand Chapter of New Zealand and New Mexico were formally recognized.

The following motion concerning the Most Excellent Degree was made, but we do not see that any action was taken concerning it:

Resolved, That the M. E., the Grand First Principal, be requested to appoint a committee to consider the restoration of the Most Excellent Master's Degree to its original form, and report at next Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

Toronto is again declared the unanimous choice for meeting of Grand Chapter.

Chapters on the roll, 102; membership, 6,533.

Companion George J. Bennett edited the Correspondence Report, and in commencing it says:

"Time, like a pitiless master, Cries 'Onward!' and spurs the gray hours. Ah, never doth Time travel faster Than when his way lies among flowers!"

And truly can it be said that the progress of the Royal Arch is flowery. An occasional thorn may remind us that our way is not altogether clear of trouble, but if the sunshine holds, our journey is made pleasantly speedy. Companions whom we have known and learned to revere fall by the wayside now and again, their pilgrimage ended, their life's work accomplished, but the aroma of the flowers is still with us and the sun continues to shine.

A year ago we mourned the death of a great and good monarch. To-day a sister nation sorrows for a ruler whose nobility of mind and rectitude of life had created in a world of nations abiding sentiments of admiration and respect. Upon the final resting place of him, whose claim to "the grand old name of gentleman" is conceded by a universe, we reverently lay this spray of sympathy:

"Two nations stand in thought beside the bed, And silent, hand in hand, together weep, While he, whom we refer to as dead, Lies still, and, like an infant, seems to sleep. "Or, rather let us say, his body lies,
For he, his work-day o'er, has gone to rest
In that dim region we call Paradise,
With all the souls of the departed blest.

"Talk not of vengeance, while beside his bier,
The time may come, perchance, for that anon,
Stay but a moment softly praying here
For his eternal rest whose soul has gone.

"And pray for those who still on earth remain,
That they and we may tread the path he trod;
So that when our earth-life's thread snaps in twain
We may, like him, be lifted nearer God."

Whilst we don't entirely agree with Companion Bennett in his objection to Connecticut law, that a Brother elected by a Chapter cannot receive his degree in any other Chapter without its permission, we give what he says:

Such may be the law of Connecticut, but is it consistent with common sense? The applicant, after his acceptance, may have discovered some very good reason why membership in that particular Chapter would be uncomfortable for him, and his desire to seek the degrees elsewhere, after the expiration of a reasonable time limit, should not be interfered with. The holding of a whip over a good brother's head for all time is giving a power to a Chapter which it has no right to possess. It is on a par with the "solitary objection," and other equally repellant doctrines which bring the boasted privileges of Free-Masonry into serious question.

On dependent membership he hews pretty close to the line of truth, though we are of the opinion there is more to it than simple dollars and cents. This is what he says commenting on Companion Barlow's remarks:

And there lies the argument in all its repulsive nakedness, dues—dollars—filthy lucre. If, then, all Lodges and Chapters existed on the interest of substantial initiation fees and the sordid fact of periodical dues was unknown, would be necessity for dependent membership have ever been heard of? It was a stranger to our ancient brethren who were ignorant of dues, ergo its advent must have synchronized with the birth of the "per capita." The cold cash requirement is a solid argument for many modern landmarks.

We think his position well taken on the use of the word "healed," made use of by the Deputy Grand High Priest of New Mexico. We quote:

Is not the word out of place? It cannot consistently be applied to a Companion owing allegiance to a recognized Grand Chapter. If, however, the visitor hailed from a clandestine body and desired affiliation, the "healing" process is understood. The General Grand

Chapter has wisely provided that a visiting Companion lacking one or more of the subordinate degrees can have the same communicated to him prior to entering the Chapter, but that is not known as being "healed."

We like this comment:

Under Texas he (Perkins, of Vermont) thinks the word "trio" in place of "team" or "class" is a good one. It certainly is more applicable, and is free from objectionable features.

CONNECTICUT, 1902.

One Hundred and Fourth Annual.

Hartford, on May 13, was the scene of the reunion of the Royal Craft in Annual Convocation. M. E. Companion James Callan, Grand High Priest, with a complement of Grand Officers, was present, and Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form. Representatives from forty Constituent Chapters were in attendance.

Five Chapters receive permission from him by Dispensation to ballot for candidates without the usual delay. One new Chapter was instituted, having received a grant

of its Charter at the previous Convocation.

As some Companions remain unaffiliated by evading a section of the regulations concerning dependent membership, he suggested a change so that the section would read:

That a Chapter shall strike from the roll the name of any Companion who is not in good standing, and a Member of a Lodge of Master Masons.

The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended and Grand Chapter adopted that it read:

Hereafter voluntary non-affiliation in a Lodge for six months shall deprive a Companion Royal Arch Mason of his membership in the Chapter.

Grand Secretary reports a membership of 6,247.

A resolution was adopted directing the Grand Secretary to purchase new aprons for the officers.

The Grand Secretary's salary was raised to \$300 per annum.

A number of excellent portraits of Past Grand High Priests are inserted in the volume. M. E. Past Grand High Priest John H. Barlow reported:

Your Committee on Correspondence has the honor to present his Twenty-Fifth Annual Report on Correspondence.

It contains a review of forty-eight Grand Jurisdictions, in eighty-one pages, of which Colorado gets two—a big allowance.

He says much of interest, so we quote from his Alabama review:

He granted twenty-nine Special Dispensations, most of which were to confer degrees without waiting the usual time. This, we think, betokens an awakening among the dry bones, and we hope will result in increased interest and prosperity to the Royal Craft.

Also:

Our Jurisdiction allows the use of substitutes, and we think it preferable to having candidates wait in small Jurisdictions an unreasonable length of time to get a class, or, as a last resort, borrowing candidates from the neighboring Chapters.

Under Indiana he said:

We have attended several of its Convocations (General Grand Chapter), and believe its social features are worth what it costs. but think there is no need of any more general grand bodies.

But when he comes to Maine he copies from Companion Drummond's report what we said on legislation concerning the liquor question, and also Companion Drummond's remarks siding with him.

Also in the same review concerning life membership By-Laws:

We have our doubts that when a Companion has paid dues for the number of years required by the By-Laws of his Chapter, the Chapter can, by any change in the law, compel him to again pay annual dues, though they can, if necessary, compel him to pay a special assessment to sustain his Lodge or Chapter.

Whilst under Maine he took a different view of legislation on the liquor question, he comes pretty nearly to our position on it under New Jersey when he says:

We do not think it can hardly be called class legislation which proscribes a business which degrades its followers in the eyes of all good men, and that is one of them. We, however, do not deem any special legislation on the subject necessary, as the blackball is an effectual safeguard—use it.

On physical qualifications and other matters in the North Carolina review we find:

We are in agreement with Brother Southgate on the question of physical qualifications that the candidate should only be required to conform to the requirements of the degrees, but not on the necessity of the actual presence of the Charter. Leaving out the question of a landmark, we think it better for the Craft to enforce this requirement, otherwise the Charter in too many cases would be lost sight of.

DELAWARE, 1902.

Thirty-Fourth Annual.

This Convocation was, as usual, held at Wilmington. It occurred January 15, and M. E. Companion Joseph Row, Grand High Priest, presided. There were representatives from four Constituent Chapters in attendance and eighty-five Past Grand Officers.

The following is taken from the Address of the Grand

High Priest:

Bound by the duties that progression claims, it is man's work to remove the yoke of bondage from the neck of his fellow-man; to free from the dark and dreary dungeon of ignorance the imprisoned, the despised, and greet them with a ray of light, with a word of cheer; to break the forged chains of superstition, place man's feet on the highway of truth, and bid him walk with head erect and free.

One of the most potent principles operating to purify and elevate the world of humanity is the influence of love. It is love that lightens the burdens of life, love that animates to ceaseless toil, love that moves the patriot in his country's cause. It is love that makes existence sweet, love that builds the nation's home and fills the world with all the comfort and luxuries of life. It is the influence of love that refines and elevates the heart, and makes sacred the circle of a happy home.

The man who is dominated by the spirit of love is like the magnet to fragments of steel; his thoughts are deep and pure, his

words are like the music of a stream.

The proceedings contain nothing of general interest, routine work and local matters only.

The Committee on Grand High Priest's Address said:

The Most Excellent enjoyed the distinction of not having to interpret the law during the term, therefore reflecting credit upon the lawful intellignce of the several High Priests, and leaving your Committee nothing to do in that line.

Membership, 745.

The Correspondence Report is a brief synopsis of thirty-three Grand Chapter proceedings, contained in fifty-three pages, of which one page fell to the lot of Colorado. Companion V. V. Harrison, P. G. H. P., was, as usual, the Knight of the Quill. Circumstances over which he had no control prevented him from doing himself justice.

One piece of advice he gives the Craft, in which, however, we do not agree, is, that the General Grand Chapter take the initiative in the matter of abolishing the Past Master's Degree.

He finds the condition of the Capitular Degrees throughout the realm encouraging.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, 1901.

Thirty-Fifth Annual.

A half-tone picture of Robert Armour, Grand High Priest, is the portrait that forms the frontispiece to the Special and Stated Convocations. The former was held May 17. It was called for two purposes—consideration of a communication relative to a proposed Masonic Fair and Exposition, and for the exemplification of the Capitular Degree. The feeling concerning the former is set forth in the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Chapter heartily commends the action of the Board of Managers of the Masonic Temple Association of the District of Columbia in proposing a fair and exposition to be held in the spring of 1902, for the purpose of raising funds to complete payment for the site purchased, and urges the constituent Chapters to take an active part in making the fair a success.

The work was then exemplified under the direction of the Grand Lecturer and the Committee on Work.

The Annual was held December 11, all the Grand Officers present and representatives from eleven Constituent Chapters.

M. E. Grand High Priest Robert Armour, in his address, first alluded to the Nation's loss and the honored dead of the Royal Craft, not forgetting Companion Ed. C. Parmelee, late Grand Secretary of this Jurisdiction.

Several Dispensations for purposes deemed proper by the Grand High Priest were granted.

On a Memorial Service he said:

I have been most favorably impressed by the fact that some of the constituent Chapters observe the beautiful custom of holding memorial services in honor of their dead. I sincerely wish the custom might become more general, for it conduces to the bringing together of thoughtful Companions, who are apt to call attention to the noble teachings of our Order and to the tender duties devolving upon us in connection with fraternal visits to our sick and distressed Companions and their widows and orphans. Hunger, physically speaking, is relieved only by the administration of food. But affliction and sorrow come to those who are perhaps abundantly supplied with this world's goods, and they, my Companions, hunger for the friendly grasp of the hand and the kindly word of sympathy, and if denied them, their suffering is not less than that of him who is craving for food.

On the condition of the Craft he finds that for the past five years they have expended annually \$225 more than their income, and he recommends a tax on exaltations sufficient to cover the deficiency.

No grievances.

The Jurisprudence Committee thus reported on a motion to rescind the resolution prohibiting the use of a substitute:

To induce us to abrogate such a resolution, having all the force and stability of a constitutional provision, and abandon a principle and a practice of so many years' standing, there should, it seems to your Committee, be some overpowering reason. For such reason we have looked in vain. An occasional convenience, of comparative unimportance, is all that we can see in its favor, while, on the other hand, the use of substitutes must, in our opinion, conflict not only with a literal rendering of our ritual, but with its rendition in "spirit and in truth."

The Constitution was changed, but as only a few words of change are given, we are not positive to what they relate, though we are of the opinion that date of the Annual is changed to February and that the returns are to be made to the end of December.

This we gather from a further resolution which continues in office the officers to be elected to February, 1903.

Grand Chapter appropriated the sum of \$50 toward a fund for a monument to the late Companion William R. Singleton.

The Report on Correspondence is for the second time the work of Companion A. W. Johnston, who gives quite a biographical history of his predecessor, Companion William R. Singleton. He reviews proceedings from forty-six Jurisdictions, among which is Colorado for its Twenty-sixth Annual Convocation.

He is not so particular as we are concerning soliciting candidates, for he says:

In this Jurisdiction we are not so fearful of indicating to a Brother that he has not had all of Masonry in the three degrees of the Blue Lodge, and that he may receive further light in the Red Chapter, holding that his being voted "good material" in the Lodge warrants us in urging his advancement.

If that is the only ground, it is a very weak one, for unless the District of Columbia is phenomenal it is not successful in having all initiates fit material even for the part of the building in which it is used.

On a subject of considerable difference of opinion he says:

The right of a Grand Master to "make a Mason at sight" rests on the assertion and concession of that right, and to say that one office has greater power than a paramount similar office simply because it has existed longer, is no more logical than to assert that an old statute has more force than a later one, which is quite contrary to the fact, if they happen to conflict.

On haste in conferring degrees and dependent membership he looks through much the same spectacles as we do, for he says:

As no man should eat more rapidly than he can masticate, neither should he take degrees faster than he can digest and assimilate them. But perhaps we should charitably remember our own young Masonic days and the anxiety we felt to "get through" to that point where we would be entitled to all the rights and privileges that any enjoyed. As to the use of Lodge and Chapter as stepping stones to reach the Commandery, that will always exist with those who are particularly enamored of the "tinsel and feathers" of Knight Templary. It is such who would kick away the ladder by which they had climbed, by dropping out of Lodge and Chapter. No wiser legislation was ever enacted than that at Pittsburg requiring dependent membership. He is a poor Royal Arch Mason who has lost interest in his Lodge, and a poorer Knight Templar who loves not the Lodge and Chapter.

He is also right in this:

Every Mark Master should be refused advancement until he has recorded his mark. It is no hardship; it requires no great ingenuity to make a selection, and that, as well as all other laws, should be lived up to.

Though his Grand Chapter is stiff-backed on the question of substitutes, he is liberal, saying:

While substitutes are not necessary in large cities, where the practice is, as here, to borrow or lend a M. E. M. to complete a team (trio) in small places, and where Chapters are widely separated and do little work, it certainly conduces to the welfare of the Chapter to permit them. It can never be justice to keep a candidate waiting for weeks, months or even years, until two others are ready.

This, also, we believe is true:

If the Degrees of the Lodge or of the Lodge and Chapter are necessary in order to "get there," affiliation in those bodies ought to be equally necessary to "stay there."

FLORIDA, 1902.

Fifty-Sixth Annual.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Convocation was held at the City of Jacksonville, May 13 and 14, R. E. John R. Wetherell, Deputy Grand High Priest in the Grand East and Eighteen Constituent Chapters represented.

The Acting Grand High Priest announced that the Grand High Priest, A. M. Cushman, was unable to be present on account of the death of his mother, and a committee of three was appointed to draft suitable resolutions.

The Address of the Grand High Priest mentioned the death of Grand Secretary Parmelee of this Jurisdiction.

No questions requiring official decision came before him, which he considered was because the rules of Masonic jurisprudence were well known and understood in the Jurisdiction.

He restored the Charter of a defunct Chapter upon proper application and payment of fee, but after an attempt to revive it, it had to yield to the inevitable and surrender the Charter. Jacksonville Chapter exemplified the work in the Mark, Past and Most Excellent and Royal Arch Degrees.

The statistics show twenty Chapters and a membership of 824.

GEORGIA, 1902.

Eightieth Annual.

To begin with, there are three portraits—M. E. Companion Henry Banks, the Presiding Grand High Priest; the Rev. W. S. Ramsay, Past Grand Chaplain, and Companion Reuben B. Nisbet.

The session was held April 30, in the City of Macon, all the Grand Officers and representatives from eighty-six

Chapters being present.

M. E. James W. Taylor, General Grand High Priest, was present, and was cordially welcomed and received with the Private Grand Honors.

Among the fraternal dead noticed in the Grand High Priest's address was Companion Ed. C. Parmelee.

He granted a great number of Dispensations, principally for conferring degrees upon first reading of the petition at a regular or called Convocation and for the election and installation of officers at other than the regular time.

We do not exactly understand the following decision:

A team can be composed of two substitutes.

Unless it means that two substitutes can be used in conferring the Royal Arch Degree.

The following, called a decision, we should think is so apparent that it should not be dignified by calling it a decision:

I ruled that a Charter misplaced so that it could not be found was a Charter lost.

On the financial condition he reported:

It is with great pleasure that I inform you that the finances of this Grand Chapter are in good, healthy condition.

He constituted in person or by proxy four Chapters, revived two, and granted Dispensations for eight.

Of Rituals he said:

This Grand Chapter should have a perfect work, then each Chapter should be furnished with at least nine copies for a term of six or twelve months. Then all copies should be called in and destroyed.

He says he is not in favor of cheap Masonry, yet in the same paragraph of his address he advises granting permission to new Chapters and all those with a less membership than twenty-five to receive twenty-five candidates at a membership fee of \$10. We don't find that Grand Chapter took any notice of the recommendation, which, in our opinion, was the best course to pursue. Cheapening the cost of the degrees to get members never did any good.

Another recommendation which Grand Chapter turned down, and, we think, properly, was to increase the fees for Dispensations \$100, to be expended for paraphernalia, though it adopted a resolution to compel Chapters to provide themselves with regalia before Dispensation is issued.

A third recommendation, also considered undesirable, was to charge an affiliation fee of \$2 when non-affiliates join a Chapter U. D.

An affiliation fee has always appeared to us an undesirable thing, because it is not right to tax one who is willing to leave his old Jurisdiction and help to build up the Craft in the new, and, secondly, because it often helps to prevent affiliation. We ought to make affiliation easy, not tax it.

He gives an excellent dissertation on parts of the Bible, but space will not permit us to copy it. His conclusion is:

> Who seeks alone himself to save his soul, May keep the path, yet will not reach the goal; But he who walks in love may wander far, Yet God will bring him where the blessed are.

A resolution that a committee be appointed to attend the next Grand Lodge to confer with the Committee on Masonic Home and report back to the next session of this Grand Chapter was adopted. A Committee on Ritual was appointed to investigate the matter of Rituals and report to the next Grand Convocation, having in view the Ritual of the General Grand Chapter.

The Charter of Ivanhoe Chapter No. 6 was restored.

The Committee on Jurisprudence sat down on another recommendation of the Grand High Priest, saying:

In regard to permitting the Grand High Priest to receive petitions for new Chapters from Master Masons, this meets with our disapproval. We deem it very unwise legislation and believe it would open up a field for great evil. Only Royal Arch Masons can be allowed to make such petitions.

A concurrent Jurisdiction provision, for Chapters within five miles of the border line of other States, was passed.

The action of the Grand High Priest in arresting seven Charters was sustained.

Chapters on opening Convocation, 109; on the roll at the close, 112; Chapters reporting, 97; membership, 3,865.

The confirmation of the minutes is left to a committee of three.

Companion A. M. Lambdin reviewed forty-six Grand Chapters and presented the result of his work to Grand Chapter. Colorado receives nearly two pages of attention. He says of Companion Dean's refusal to grant Dispensation for public installation:

Wherever he secured (his education on the subject) it, of one thing we are sure—it was good training.

As he wants this committee's view, as we did not express it clearly enough for him in our last review, we now say that we are, as a rule, opposed to public Masonic display. Funerals and corner stones are about the only public ceremonies we believe in.

ILLINOIS, 1901.

Fifty-Second Annual.

Was held at Chicago, October 24 and 25. M. E. Companion George W. Warvelle, Grand High Priest.

Opening Exercises.

Music by Geo. J. Kurtzenknabe, Organist.

Lexington Quartet.

Choir.

Voluntary by Kurtzenknabe.

Entry of Grand Officers.

Processional March.

Anthem, "Send Out Thy Light," Elvey.

Opening Ceremonies.

Invocation.

"Gloria Patria," Bruk.

Proclamation.

Anthem, "It Is the Lord's Own Day," Handel.

Reception of Foreign Representatives.

Grand High Priest's Address.

Representatives from 147 Constituent Chapters were in attendance.

The Grand High Priest's address was a strictly business document, with many valuable and practical suggestions, without any attempts at flights of oratory. He noticed among those whom death had removed from Sister Jurisdictions our Grand Secretary, Ed. C. Parmelee. He had no call for Dispensations, except in the usual cases of passed elections. He made a few decisions, which will be found in our Digest.

This, on Masonic charities, is worth quoting for the benefit of our own Companions in a Jurisdiction which does but little in this direction, and, we hope, may be the means of enlisting their aid in the "Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund:"

The annual reports of the two organized charities of the Craft in this Jurisdiction have been sent out by the officers of those institutions and are now in your hands. It will be seen therefrom that considerable progress has been made in the establishment of a permanent fund for the support of the Orphans' Home, and if the ratio of increase can be maintained for a few years the future of that institution will be assured without resort to the temporary expedients which heretofore have been relied upon to produce revenue. As this Grand Chapter has always evinced a kindly interest in the Orphans' Home, and has frequently contributed to its treasury, I therefore recommend that the precedents of former years be followed at this time and that a cash donation of such sum as you deem proper be awarded to it.

Reports of District Officers were received.

The Committee on Doings of Grand Officers recommended and Grand Chapter concurred:

Fourth—That we fully concur in the recommendation of the Grand High Priest that Grand Lecturers are no longer needed, by reason of the issuance of the new Ritual, and recommend that, they be dispensed with.

A cut of the Jewel of the Presiding Grand High Priest is given. It is a breastplate on a triple triangle suspended from a bar, with the words "Grand High Priest," and between the chains of which is a mitre, also suspended from the bar, the whole being suspended from another bar, on which are the words, "Grand Chapter, Illinois."

An invitation to visit the Board of Trade, and another to witness the conferring of the Royal Arch Degree by York Chapter No. 148, were accepted.

The Grand High Priest of Minnesota was introduced and welcomed in a suitable manner.

The Special Committee on Ritual made report, and the Ritual as prepared by them and submitted to the several Subordinate Chapters was adopted as the standard work of the Jurisdiction.

One hundred and eighty-six active Chapters; membership, 18,123.

The proceedings of the Grand Chapter during the first decade of its existence are to be reprinted.

Companion George Dunbaugh, Grand Representative of Illinois, near our Grand Chapter, is credited with having made a report.

The Report on Correspondence is the sixteenth from the pen of Companion John M. Pearson, but we regret to see from his conclusion that it is to be his last, for he resigns the work with regret, concluding: For more than forty years we have been permitted to meet our Grand Chapter in yearly Convocation, and a great privilege we esteem it to have been. I see in this hall but two Companions to whom such privilege has been given. I have long counted both as personal friends, and hope to meet them and you many times in coming years.

He is to be succeeded by M. E. Companion George W. Warvelle, whom we hope to have the pleasure of welcoming to the Guild next year.

Explaining to us why an installation was set aside by the Grand High Priest of that Jurisdiction, for which we had asked, Companion Pearson says:

Cases have arisen where the elected High Priest declined installation. To elect another, the members of the Chapter would most surely prefer to take one already elected to some other position, and this has necessitated a Dispensation, and still further elections, etc., etc. To prevent all this the rule was made, and it works well. We allow no installations by proxy, and the greater importance of the office of High Priest, we think, justifies our rule.

INDIAN TERRITORY, 1902.

Thirtcenth Annual.

Oklahoma City was the scene of the gathering of the Royal Craft on April 8, when Deputy Grand High Priest Ira Brown requested Past Grand High Priest De Forest De Francis Leach to act as Grand High Priest, who, having ascertained the presence of Representatives from a constitutional number of Chapters, opened the Grand Chapter in Due Form. Sixteen Chapters represented.

The Grand High Priest's absence was due to sickness of his child, and later a telegram was received announcing its death, and a telegram of sympathy and condolence was sent.

The Grand High Priest's address, written under the shadow of the pending misfortune, was devoted to business only. He made a number of decisions, which will be found in our usual digest of these.

The Grand High Priest accepted the resignation of the Grand Treasurer, and appointed a Companion to fill the unexpired term. Half the dues of a Chapter (\$100) were remitted on the ground that they were poor and were building a Temple. It might be a proper case for a donation, but hardly a reason for a remission of dues. Still that is only another way of making a donation.

The Committee on Correspondence presented a partially prepared report and suggested that he had not finished it because he thought best not to do so until the meeting, as, on account of economy, it might not be desirable to print it, as he thought a liberal donation should be made to the Orphans' Fund.

The suggestion was adopted, so that no report appears. We are sorry to miss this contribution to Royal Arch literature, but are glad that the Orphans' Fund benefited by the sum of \$500.

Guthrie is selected as the place of meeting in 1903.

Charters were recommended and granted to two new Chapters.

Among those enumerated in the Report on Fraternal Dead is Companion Edward Carroll Parmelee, our late Grand Secretary, though his age is placed at 70 instead of 66 years.

Active Chapters, 33; membership December 31, 1901, 1,248.

KANSAS, 1901.

Thirty-Sixth Annual.

A portrait of Grand High Priest Joseph M. Smith is the frontispiece to the proceedings held in the City of Wichita, February 18 and 19, at which he presided, and at which 159 members of Grand Chapter were present. The General Grand Master of the First Veil, M. E. Bestor Brown, was presented, welcomed, and greeted by Grand Chapter. He reported one Chapter which surrendered its Charter on account of too small a membership to maintain it. He was not called upon for any decisions.

The business was not of general interest outside the Jurisdiction, and needs no comment.

The returns are for the year ending December 31, 1900, and show eighty-one Chapters, with an enrollment of 5,343, a net gain of 139.

There was dispensed for charity \$50, and a balance of \$904.43 remains in the Charity Fund.

Among the memorial pages is one to M. E. Companion Moses Sawin Adams, of Canon City, Colorado, Past Grand High Priest of Kansas.

Companion William H. Shaver presented the Correspondence Report, reviewing ninety-two issues of proceedings emanating from fifty Grand Jurisdictions, including that of the General Grand Chapter. This was necessitated by the incomplete report of M. E. Companion De Witt the year previous, caused by his death, when only nine Jurisdictions had been reviewed.

Companion Shaver is a strong advocate of dependent membership, and with well chosen argument supports his position.

He has but one criticism to make on Colorado's biographical notices and portraits, and this is it in full:

Next year, when we read the annual address of Grand High Priest Roe, we will try to imagine how the Companion looks who made this record, but we will have to hunt up the last year's proceedings to find. Of course, we admit that he is then a "has been," but he is the one who made the record of that volume.

On M. E. Grand High Priest Dean's denial of a Dispensation to publicly install, he thinks the Jurisprudence Committee properly approved his decision, but that they just as properly and effectually sat down on the recommendation to "prohibit" such installations in the future, saying:

A public installation, properly conducted, never did harm, and very frequently has been productive of much good in removing false impressions and prejudices from the minds of the profane. Whatever reasonable objection, however, might be urged against a public capitular installation to which the profane are invited, disappears entirely when the audience is composed solely of Masons. It is just such official action as this reported that gives color to the belief of many Master Masons that the members of the so-called "higher" degrees feel above the Lodge. For one, the Lodge with us always holds the preference, and we would feel honored in having our Chapter invited to participate with the Lodge in an installation service.

The question of public installation is one on which there is great difference of opinion, not only in the Chapter, but also in the Lodge, and Companion Dean was in no wise reflecting upon the Lodge when he refused the Dispensation, for no one honors the Lodge more than he does, and it is our earnest hope that at our Annual in September he will be elected Grand Master of that branch of Masonry. He believes, with his mother Jurisdiction, that public installations of Masonic bodies are improper, and there are lots of us who stand with him. The writer is one who is not partial to them, and prefers not to have them. The less ostentation in Masonry the better; let it work in its good, old quiet way, and it will accomplish more good than any amount of show. Its acts or the acts of its devotees are what count, not public profession.

He comments well on the proceedings of the District of Columbia by which Admiral Schley in twenty days became a Knight Templar, and they fit our own views so closely that we quote:

We are pleased to know that this distinguished American citizen and officer is a Mason and Templar, but, frankly, we do not like the manner of his making. A humble citizen, the peer in worth and ability of the Admiral, could not have obtained these marked Masonic favors, and the institution suffers when Masonic dignity, custom and law are swept aside and the lie is given to the teaching that "Masonry regards no man for his worldly wealth or honor."

Again we agree with him on the Indiana decision that an elected petitioner refusing to receive the Degrees cannot recover the fee paid for the same, on which he says:

That may be technically correct, but we never did like such a ruling. We do not want either a candidate, or his money, who cannot truthfully say, when he takes his obligation, that he comes of his own "free will and accord."

He tells that the Kansas plan in case of loss of a dimit is not to issue a duplicate, but a certified copy of the Chapter record of issuance of the dimit.

With regard to the proper plan to be adopted when Grand Chapters are formed of granting them Charters, New Mexico permitted the Chapters to retain the original Charters issued to them by the General Grand Chapter, and issued certificates to attach, setting forth that those Charters constituted authority to work under the Grand Chapter of New Mexico, on which he thus comments:

We do not think this was the best course. The old Charters from the General Grand Chapter could safely have been left with the Chapters as souvenirs, but new Charters from the Grand Chapter of New Mexico should have been issued.

We would like to see this subject more fully discussed by the Guild, and especially by the Masonic students who have studied the question, for without giving more than a superficial consideration to it, it appears to us that Companion Shaver's position is correct.

And we also agree and say with Companion Shaver:

We never could bring ourselves to the belief that a majority vote ought to grant a waiver of Jurisdiction.

He is a cipher believer, and says:

How much better for a Grand Body to open its eyes to the necessary evil and control it by furnishing a correct cipher to its workers under proper restrictions, thus driving out dangerous and incorrect works and the commercial dealers therein.

To us the question is, is it a necessary evil? Our ancient brethren got along splendidly for hundreds of years without ciphers, and so could we now if we tried; but the American people love ease and don't want to take the trouble to learn from mouth to ear, unless compelled to do so.

Companion Shaver's work was so well done he need not have apologized in his conclusion for the form in which it was presented. It doesn't need to be in a crowd to be passed as good work, true and square.

KANSAS, 1902.

Thirty-Seventh Annual.

The Grand Captain of the Host congregated the Companions and the Grand Secretary called the roll of the Chapters. When it appeared a constitutional number were represented it was communicated to the Grand High Priest and the Grand Marshal announced his approach, with his associate officers of the Grand Council, who entered and

were received with the honors due to their exalted stations. M. E. Charles J. Webb, Grand High Priest, after the usual precautions, then opened the Grand Chapter in Ample Form, after prayer led by the E. Grand Chaplain, at Union Hall, Fort Scott, February 17.

The General Grand Master of the First Veil being announced in waiting, he was introduced and appropriately received. One hundred and six representatives from

sixty-five Chapters were in attendance.

The Grand High Priest stated that he had issued one Dispensation to organize a new Chapter. It brought up work for inspection and received a Charter, with thirty-nine Companions enrolled on it. He denied all requests for Dispensations to receive and ballot on petitions without regard to the statutory time. His address was an excellent document and contained sentiments worthy of the consideration of all Royal Arch Masons, and contained much of interest concerning the antiquity of the Royal Craft.

The balance reported in the Charity Fund was \$1,201.74.

The Grand Secretary reports that the Grand Chapter has chartered eighty-six Chapters, of which eighty are still on the roll.

The Ritual of the Mark Master, Past Master and Most Excellent Master Degrees was exemplified by a corps of workers from all parts of the State, under the direction of the Ritual Committee.

A Report on Necrology, covering eight pages, was presented by that Committee. In it fifteen lines are devoted to the memory of Edward C. Parmelee, of this Jurisdiction, giving his Masonic record, and ending:

In the foregoing record is shown a life of Masonic service seldom, if ever, equaled by one acting in a like capacity.

The Grand Chapter of New Mexico received fraternal recognition.

One thousand dollars was transferred from the Charity to the General Fund. It is probably the intention to refund it, but we do not like to see Charity Funds encroached on. We consider them a trust, and other means are better adapted if there is a temporary shortage of funds for general purposes.

Portraits and biographical notices of three Past Grand High Priests form an interesting part of these proceedings.

The statistical table shows a membership of 5,620, an increase of 277.

Companion William M. Shaver, as Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, gives an excellent review of forty-nine Jurisdictions in 148 pages. There is a great deal of interesting matter in it, from which we select only a few, as space would not permit us to quote more.

Under California is this:

We agree with the Committee as to the illegality of the action and on general principles we are opposed to life membership.

On the effort in Canada to restore the Most Excellent Degree in its entirety, he says:

We are not familar with their Ritualistic custom, but we are such a firm believer in and admirer of this degree "in its entirety" that we have no hesitancy whatever in saying that any effort to emasculate it is a mistake.

Colorado comes in for a little over two pages of pleasant attention.

On lost Charters, under Illinois, approving the report of the Jurisprudence Committee, we find:

The custom in many Jurisdictions for the Grand High Priest to issue his Dispensation authorizing a Chapter, whose parchment Charter has been lost or destroyed, to continue at work until the Grand Chapter should convene, always impressed us as entirely unnecessary. The act of the Grand Chapter in granting the Charter is the warrant of authority for the existence of the Chapter; the parchment Charter is merely evidence of the grant, and is not the best evidence either. We have heard of cases where a Grand Body has revoked a Charter, but the local officers refused to return the parchment. We wonder if the Masonic jurists who hold to the other theory would maintain that such a "Chapter" was still in existence.

He likes Drummond's answer to us on the saloon legislation. As we have replied to it elsewhere, we shall see how he likes our reply.

On what Companion Drummond and we said about the General Grand Chapter cipher, he says:

We agree with him fully as to the dangerous character of the General Grand cipher, and in addition it is extremely awkward for use.

On dimits which have been carried a long time, he says:

We are frank to admit, however, that we look askance at a petition to which is attached one of these "ancient documents," and we believe the motive of such a petition is a most proper subject of inquiry. We have not very much fraternal sympathy for the Mason who for years has contributed nothing in time, influence or money toward the Fraternity, but who finally discovers that a residence in his declining years in some Masonic Home would prove very acceptable, and thereupon resurrects his dimit from its place of concealment.

And we should agree on the "rush question," for, commenting on the remarks of the Grand High Priest of Pennsylvania, he says:

We heartily commend the above remarks regarding work. It is a lowering of Masonic dignity to permit the degrees to be conferred apparently "in a rush." Our own law, which simply prohibits the conferring of more than two degrees on the same candidate on the same day, but which thus makes it possible for all four degrees to be conferred within the space of about thirty hours, is too lax. in our judgment.

KENTUCKY, 1901.

Annual.

The Scottish Rite Cathedral in Louisville was the scene on October 15 and 16 of the annual gathering of the Royal Arch Masons. M. E. Hal Thomas Jefferson, Grand High Priest, assisted by a full complement of Subordinate Officers and Representatives from 68 Constituent Chapters, opened Grand Chapter in Ample Form. Among other things in his address he called attention to the fact that the third edition of the Ritual had been issued because of the clamor for them, though Chapters can not account for what has become of the other issues. He says:

That these have been misplaced is no excuse. Better care should be taken by the proper officers. You may deem it wise to

put some restrictions upon the issue, care of and accounting for the new books. I recommend this be done.

This issue was for 400. We presume the other two issues were equally as many, hence 1,200 books are now scattered broadcast over the country. It is bad enough to have a printed ritual of any kind, even though it is as perfect a cipher as possible, but it might be called criminal to handle them thus carelessly. Certainly the Grand Chapter of Kentucky ought to pass some very stringent laws.

He is entirely at variance with us in the following views, for we believe in being extra careful at such times. If candidates have to be rushed through they are not likely to be of much use to Royal Arch Masonry:

The activity in Capitular Circles during the year has induced Chapters to ask for a greater number than usual of Dispensations for receiving and acting upon petitions without the interim of a lunar month. These I have cheerfully granted, but in every case requiring the constitutional provision that notice of the names of the candidates and times when action would be taken should be given to all members of the Chapter. After a man has passed the scrutiny of the Lodge, and every member of the Chapter petitioned has due notice of his application for degrees and membership therein, I regard the dispensing with the usual twenty-eight days a positive advantage.

By the great horn spoon! one would think so, for he granted this class of Dispensation no less than seventy times, or more than one out of every eight exalted. If this wholesale dispensing is to go on, why not do away with the interim by By-Law and thus save all the trouble about Dispensations?

There were some very unusual decisions made, and must have been decided on some local law, for they could hardly be considered as general law; for instance there is this:

A curious case came to my knowledge. A Chapter Past Master, by mistake, was one of the team in the Royal Arch degree, but was stopped and my decision asked. I decided that he might be "healed" in the Most Excellent Master's Degree and its features explained to him. Then he might continue with the Royal Arch Degree, holding this, under the circumstances, to be analogous to Section 40, Article 3, Constitution General Grand Chapter.

First, we don't see how such a mistake could occur. except by the greatest negligence of the High Priest, and he ought to have been called to task for it; secondly, what is there to heal? He is nothing more than a Past Master and is entitled to nothing. The clause referred to in the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter has reference to Royal Arch Masons made in Jurisdictions which do not confer the Past and Most Excellent Degrees, not to candidates who have never received any further promotion than the Past Master's Degree. If they can be healed in one case, why not do away with conferring the Most Excellent Master's Degree altogether and heal all. We should rather call it making a Most Excellent Master at sight and by a proxy of the Grand High Priest at that. Thirdly, a Chapter has no right to confer the Royal Arch Degree on a candidate who has not received all the six preceding Degrees. error or negligence having been discovered, the Chapter should have been compelled to confer the Most Excellent Degree in a proper way before being permitted to go ahead.

He arrested four Charters for failure to make returns and pay dues for two or more years.

Jewels for all living Past Grand High Priests are to be procured for presentation to them, and a committee of three was appointed for that purpose, jewels not to cost over \$50 each.

The Jurisprudence Committee said:

In regard to Grand Representatives, we differ with the Grand High Priest, who regards them as superfluous and of no practical benefit. Members of this committee have regarded, with disfavor, the action of other Masonic Bodies in dispensing with them. Such courtesies between Grand Bodies costs little and form a bond of fraternal union which is in accordance with the true and righteous purposes of Freemasonry.

The following regulations concerning Rituals were adopted:

- 1. Every Chapter shall be entitled to receive two of the new Rituals without cost, one copy to be in custody of the High Priest, one copy to be held by the Secretary, and always be present at every Convocation of the Chapter.
- 2. At every annual election the Rituals shall, in open Chapter, be delivered to the incoming High Priest and Secretary, even though they succeed themselves, and the fact be plainly noted of record.

3. The "Grand Council" shall each receive a copy of the Ritual and deliver the same, in open Grand Chapter, to their successors in office.

We further recommend that Rituals be delivered to Representatives and Officers, as hereinbefore mentioned, taking receipts therefor, on pledge to comply with these regulations.

Seventy-four Chapters. Membership, 3,844.

Companion James W. Staton, P. G. H. P., commenced his Fourteenth Annual Correspondence Report on a pleasant May day, and presented it to Grand Chapter at this session. So it appears as an appendix to the proceedings.

Under California he gives as a good move, with which we agree, the repeal of the ironclad rule relative to payment of dues before being eligible to office, or the right to vote at the election of officers.

Evidently he is not in sympathy with his Grand Chapter on the subject of "rush permits" of which we have written at some length above, for, commenting on what we said on this subject in our report two years ago, he says:

Well, we do not disagree on that point. Too much haste to attain the fuss and feathers branch of Masonry lessens the interest in the Chapter branch. Of this we have long complained, but it will always be so until applicants are given to understand that the "rush mill" is not opened for grinding on every call.

LOUISIANA, 1902.

Fifty-Fifth Annual.

The Most Excellent Grand Chapter convened in New Orleans February 11th, M. E., J. F. Pierson, Grand High Priest, all the Grand Officers and Representatives from fourteen Chapters in attendance.

The M. E. Grand High Priest stated that it had been impossible, owing to unavoidable circumstances, to prepare an address. Thus, for the first time in sixteen years, we review proceedings without one.

The Grand Secretary reports a gain of 100 members, total membership 1,232, twenty Chapters making returns and paying dues, and two failing to do so.

A Dispensation for a new Chapter was granted. One hundred dollars was donated for the relief of a family during the ensuing year.

On the second day of the session the roll call showed sixteen Chapters present.

The resolution adopted at the previous Grand Annual Convocation, giving concurrent Jurisdiction to Hiram and Shreveport Chapters, was reseinded and Jurisdiction over citizens in the town of Logansport was given to Hiram Chapter.

The date of the Annual Convocation is changed, so that it is to be held on the day following the first day's session of the Grand Lodge.

Companion Herman C. Duncan reviewed the proceedings of Sister Grand Jurisdictions, forty-nine in number. When he presented his work to the Grand Chapter they adopted it and ordered it printed. Reviewing our Colorado proceedings, he said:

We believe that the propriety of public installation is a question entirely in the discretion of the Grand High Priest. We agree, then, with the conclusion. It is with the premises of the Colorado brethren we find fault. That Masonry is a secret society we believe to be only partially true. There are many things about Masonry that are not secret—its existence, its times of meeting, its charges, its written laws, its roll of membership, everything about it that is proper to be written—its charities. Hence a distinction should be made, and we believe that some of our knottiest problems, as, for example, the whole question of adoptive Masonry, would be easily solved if we would bear in mind that there is much about Masonry that is not secret.

He thinks exemplification of work in Grand Chapter totally inadequate to bring about good work. He believes the Grand Lecturer should take hold of each and every Chapter and bring them into line, and if one isn't sufficient to do it, to increase the number. He does not believe it the business of Grand Lecturers to exalt classes, but that he ought to refuse to touch candidates, but would have him drill the officers to do it, and witness their work, but take no part in it.

We do not entirely agree; first, the expenses would be very great—more than most Grand Chapters can pay and we think that exemplification by the Grand Lecturer on regular work often shows officers how to put expression into their work, so that, after he is gone, they do it more impressively. It is not only the officers, but all the members that need to be taught, so that when there is a change of officers, the new ones have a proper conception of how to work.

On the Order of High Priesthood he makes these remarks:

We differ from our confrere when he says that, to treat the order of High Priesthood as other than a prerequisite to installation, is to lower its dignity and importance. We think that we, in Louisiana, have, on the contrary, elevated and ennobled it, when we require that the candidate for its honors should pass the manimous ballot of all Anointed High Priests as assembled in annual and stated council. A Chapter may elect an unworthy man as its High Priest, and, if so, the council will, and has, rejected him from the privilege of being anointed. He serves as High Priest, but he does it under a ban. Does not this elevate the Order more than if the law compelled him to receive it, and consequently compelled other anointed High Priests to anoint a man they deemed unworthy of the honor? That the fathers provided as stated, we admit. But the fathers were fallible, and we are unwilling to subscribe to the doctrine that a thing must be good because ancient.

MAINE, 1901.

Seventy-Sixth Annual.

The benign face of M. E. Companion Josiah Drummond, the Dean of the Guild, and the accomplished writer of the Correspondence Reports of this Jurisdiction, greets the eye on opening the proceedings of May 7, at which M. E. Companion Winfield S. Hinckley, Grand High Priest, presided, assisted by Representatives from fifty-two Chartered Chapters. In his address the Grand High Priest says:

With due reverence to the great Creator and Giver of Life for the many blessings and comforts we are permitted to enjoy, we, as Royal Arch Masons, should willingly return grateful and heartfelt thanks for the preservation of our lives during the past year, and for the unbounded prosperity and happiness which has prevailed throughout our whole State. In gratitude for the protecting care which has been vouchsafed unto us, let us, my Companions, return thanks to Him who controls the destiny of man.

He also said:

I am very grateful for the privilege of being able to announce to you that death has not entered our ranks during the year. The circle of our permanent membership remains unbroken.

He attended the triennial of the General Grand Chapter in Cincinnati. He was not called upon for any decision, and this is the condition in which he reported the Craft to be:

Again I have the pleasure of congratulating you, my Companions, upon the fact that Capitular Masonry in this Jurisdiction is in a prosperous condition, and that the utmost harmony and good fellowship exist between this Grand Chapter and our Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

He and the other visiting Grand Officers submitted reports of official visits which seem to have been occasions of pleasant remembrance, and to have been fraught with good to the Craft. In all forty-three Chapters were visited. visited.

The Charity Fund has \$4,842.00 invested; its income for the year was \$301.59, of which \$225 was appropriated for needy persons, leaving a balance in the Income Fund of \$695.38.

The returns show fifty-six Chapters, all reporting, with a total membership of 6,715.

Companion Josiah H. Drummond, P. G. H. P., submitted, as usual, the Review replete with interesting topics. In it fifty-four Grand Jurisdictions are reviewed. Of course, Colorado is not omitted. Let us see what he has to say about us. Speaking of Companion Parmelee he says, very truly:

He has been a very important factor in Colorado Masonry and became well known throughout the whole country.

He takes exception to Companion Dean's refusal of a Dispensation to publicly install officers, saying:

We are surprised, because these public installations have been the usage of Royal Arch Masonry in this country ever since its introduction, and the ceremonies are printed in full.

Replying to our position on Masonic legislation against the liquor traffic, he says:

In answer to the last question we would say that most of the vices to which he refers are in themselves violation of fundamental Masonic law, and no legislation is needed to secure the right and power to punish those who are guilty of them. But, as the world grows older, new crimes are invented, so to speak, and new laws are required to suppress them. For example, embezzlement was not a crime at common law, and is now a crime only as it is made so by statute; but the statutes of these days make it an offence of a very heinous character.

We wonder what our Brother would say if one of the Colorado Lodges should admit into Masonry the proprietor of a brothel? Of course, the case is scarcely supposable, but is not the priciple involved

the same as in that of the saloon keeper?

The remedy by the blackball is not effective, because it does not

touch Masons who engage in the business.

But it seems to us that our Brother in effect admits the propriety of such legislation. The question upon which the ballot turns is, "Is the candidate fit to be made a Mason?" If he is unfit because of his occupation, sufficiently to justify the casting of a blackball, he is unfit enough to justify his exclusion by law. The admission of an unfit man affects not merely the Lodge, but the whole craft, which has a right to prescribe laws for its own protection against the unwarranted acts of any Lodge.

Now, we have but little to quarrel with on these statements, but our point was, Why select one crime, and one only, to legislate against? Why not legislate against the brothel keeper, the embezzler, the gambler, and all other criminal or unlawful acts? What we really want is to educate our members to cast the blackball more frequently, for the good of Masonry, and withhold it less often, because in a general way the applicant is a jolly, good fellow, and will help swell the membership, and is probably just as good as the rest of us, except for his one little failing. It can be done just as well on the liquor question as on all the others in which we trust the Lodges without a statute.

Evidently on the question of dimits accompanying petition for Charter he misinterprets the Colorado law, for he says under it the petitioners would be left out in the cold if the Charter were not granted. The Colorado law is that petitioners for Dispensation or Charter, members of Colorado Chapters have only to file a certificate from the Chapter to which they belong; that their dues are paid to the date of the meeting of the Grand Chapter; then, if the Charter is granted, that act dimits the petitioners from the former affiliation; if it is not granted they resume membership in their old Chapter. It is only

the petitioners from Jurisdictions outside of Colorado who have to present dimits, and they are the only ones that are left in the cold when a Charter is not granted.

He emphatically indorses and commends to the attention of the Companions of his Jurisdiction our position concerning solicitation for any degree in Masonry.

Of Masonic Homes he says:

The duty (of charity) is a Masonic one, the manner of performing it a business one, as well as Masonic, and the business view of it receives the most careful attention.

Further on we find out what the Maine system is, for, referring to Ohio, which apparently has the same system as we have, he says:

We had the same system in Maine, but it led to some complications, and we have changed it, and no dimit is required when the petition for Dispensation is granted. But the Charter is not issued until every Companion whose name goes into it has filed his dimit with the Grand Secretary, and our experience for quite a number of years under this system leads us to believe that it is better than any other that has been tried.

Being opposed to dependent membership, he takes the position that those in favor of it do not notice the feature that one may not be able to meet the obligations of dues in all Bodies, and says:

It is this feature of it that makes the system, as we think, utterly in violation of the free will part of Masonry.

We, however, perfectly understand that possibility, but have our justification for dependent membership on the ground that the capstone cannot remain in place if the foundation is destroyed. Though it is searcely a supposable thing, still, if all Masons became Knight Templars and said we will only pay dues to the Commandery, what would become of the Blue Lodges and Chapters, and where would the Commandery find further material upon which to sustain itself.

There is so much good argument and reading in this report we would like to quote more, but we must leave space for the good things from other Jurisdictions, and regretfully leave our Companions from Maine.

Before the copy leaves our hands for the printer, we learn of the death of Companion Josiah Hayden Drummond, the Dean of the Guild, which occurred October 25, 1902. We believe that he wrote more reports on correspondence than any other individual report, the report which we presume he made for presentation at the annual of 1902 being his thirty-ninth. Companion Drummond served at the head of all the Grand Bodies of Maine and of the General Grand Bodies of the United States.

As a writer on Masonic matters he had no equal, and his loss will be felt throughout the Masonic world. Such sympathy as we have, we extend to the Grand Masonic Bodies of Maine, in the irreparable loss they have sustained, and the best epitaph we can find is:

HE DID HIS WORK WELL.

MARYLAND, 1901.

One Hundred and Fourth Year.

The Annual Convocation was held in the Masonic Temple, Baltimore, November 12th. Representatives from seventeen Chapters were in attendance, and Grand High Priest David C. Avery opened Grand Chapter in Ample Form. His address commences:

I congratulate you, my Companions, on the completion of one of the most prosperous years in the history of Capitular Masonry in this Jurisdiction. Harmony and good-will prevail throughout our borders. We are in peace and good fellowship with the Masonic world. We have made decided and healthy growth in our membership. We have added one to the number of our Constituent Chapters, with another knocking at our doors for admission. The Grim Invader has not visited our Official Ranks, and really the only shadow that falls across our horizon is the serious and protracted illness of our beloved Grand Sceretary, who for so many years has faithfully and intelligently served this Grand Body. May the good Lord have him in His sacred keeping and speedily restore him to us again.

Companion Parmelee's decease is noticed in the list of Sister Grand Chapters, to whom condolence is extended.

He follows the remarks of many other Grand High Priests concerning the manner of conferring degrees, and thus puts the stamp of disapproval on improper acts:

I have had, during some of my official visitations, to criticise the manner of conferring certain of the degrees. In order to properly impress the candidate, the ceremonies should be as realistic as possible, and in no event should they be marred by by-play or rudeness. There is no place in them for anything but the strictest decourse and the literal charges are strictly as an area of the literal charges and the literal charges are strictly as a second content of the literal charges are strictly as a second charge and the literal charge decorum and the literal observance of Masonic tradition and ritual.

He admonished the Chapters on this subject in a circular letter.

He also said:

I reprehend the practice of holding day and night sessions of the same Convocation for the purpose of rushing—for this is what it amounts to—a large class of candidates through the degrees. Capitular Masonry is worthy of our best and most intelligent efforts. Its ritual and ceremonics should not be carelessly rendered, or thoughtlessly received. It is holy and sublime, and this idea of dignity and sublimity should actuate all who participate in its functions. Like a Sacrament of the Church, it is too sacred a thing to be lightly considered or irreverently handled, and the aim of all our Bodies should be to make Masons, and not members only.

Resolutions of sympathy for Companion George L. McCahan were adopted, ordered spread upon the record, and a copy furnished Companion McCahan.

One Charter issued.

The Grand Chapter of New Mexico was extended recognition and fraternal greeting.

The blind correspondent, Companion Edward T. Schultz, by the aid of a reader and an amanuensis, presented a review of the doings in Sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Under California he expresses what to us appears a sound opinion:

We are clearly of the opinion that no Member of a Chapter can be deprived of any of his rights and privileges by the mere operation of a By-Law. Until he is suspended or expelled by regular process of law, all his rights and privileges are in full force, no matter what amount of dues he may owe.

He also is attracted by Grand High Priest Dean's refusal, in our Jurisdiction, to grant a Dispensation for a public installation, for he says:

We can see no impropriety whatever in the public installation of officers of Masonic bodies, any more than the laying of a cornerstone in public. The ceremonies used on both occasions are in print, and are open to the profane. If they may read these forms and ceremonies why may they not witness them? We believe that an occasional ceremony of this kind would be of service to the fraternity.

Are not public installations rather bidding for members, and not quite in conformity with our profession, that we do no proselytizing?

Regarding the Order of High Priesthood, under Nebraska, he says:

We believe, with Companion Phelp's, that Thomas Smith Webb, and the others who formulated our present system of Capitular Masonry, fully intended that the reception of the Order of High Priesthood should be made a prerequisite for installation into office of High Priest. And, with him, we regret that the General Grand Chapter should have legislated otherwise.

On the Oregon ruling of what forms a constitutional number to transact business, he makes this very proper remark:

According to this ruling a Chapter may be opened and business transacted with but one member of a Chapter present. The impropriety of this must be apparent to everyone.

In Maryland he says they attain good results by

Sending the Grand Lecturer to all the Chapters once a year for the purpose of schooling them. He receives a small salary, and his traveling expenses are paid by the Grand Chapter. The result is commendable proficiency, at least among the officers of the Chapter.

MICHIGAN, 1902.

Fifty-Fourth Annual.

A portrait of M. E. Companion William F. Denfeld is the first thing one sees on opening the proceedings of the Convocation held at the City of Detroit, January 21st and 22nd. The total registered attendance was 286, of which 253 represented 132 Chapters, fifteen Grand Officers, and eighteen Past Grand Officers.

From the Grand High Priest's address is this:

The numerical increase in membership may not equal many of the preceding years, but that there has been an increase in the

more essential elements, the attainment of purer lives and more exalted characters, the qualities that tend to uplift our fellow-men and afford strength and permanency to our noble institution, should be the cherished hope of every Royal Arch Mason.

Among the deaths in Sister Jurisdictions he notices Ed C. Parmelee, our late Grand Secretary.

By proxy he constituted the Chapters which had

been granted Charters at the previous Convocation.

The denial of a Dispensation to ballot on and receive the petition of a Brother who had been a Master Mason only one month was one of his acts, which meets our hearty approval. We are thoroughly convinced that haste in advancing is not advisable. We got a resolution passed a year or two ago requiring six months interval between the M. M. degree and the R. A. degree, and have had to defend it several times, but have thus far been successful in maintaining it.

He also properly denied a Dispensation to elect a High Priest because of the inability of the installed High Priest to attend his duties, properly holding that in the absence of the High Priest his duties devolved upon the King.

He also very properly denied several other Dis-

pensations.

The Companions located at Holland petitioned for a Dispensation to organize a Chapter, and got it, and at this Convocation, having presented good and true work, they were rewarded with a Charter.

He made a number of decisions, which will be found

in our Digest.

He recommended an increase of the appropriation for contingent expenses of the Grand High Priest to \$100, and this met with favor with the Grand Chapter.

A telegram and letter was sent Companion Hugh McCurdy, who was absent in Los Angeles recruiting his health.

The Correspondence Committee was instructed to prepare the usual review, in spite of the recommendation the previous year to abolish it.

The report of the Masonic Home shows that, out of a total income of \$11,490.00, the Grand Chapter contributed \$1,000. The expenses of the Home were \$11,416.82.

After a vote had been taken first on Battle Creek and then on Saginaw as the next place of meeting, both being lost, Detroit was again determined on.

The Masonic Home received an appropriation of

\$1,000.00.

The Grand Secretary is hereafter to prepare the Foreign Correspondence report, for which he is to receive

as compensation \$50.00.

We were congratulating ourself on Michigan being in line with our views on requiring a period between the M. M. and R. A. degrees, but find the Jurisprudence Committee differed with the Grand High Priest, and advised amending the forms of petition so as to cut out the words, "Now and for the last three months," so that it will read "The undersigned, a Master Mason," etc.

There are seven extinct Chapters, 136 Active Chap-

ters, and a membership of 14,410.

The Correspondence Report is a composite compilation by three Companions. Sixteen Jurisdictions reviewed by M. L. D.; fifteen by C. H. L.; fourteen by C. E. S., and one without initial.

Colorado fell to the lot of M. L. D., and has fraternal notice.

MINNESOTA, 1901.

Fortieth Annual.

The Royal Craft assembled October 8th, in St. Paul. A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was first opened, the roll of Chapters called, and, a majority being represented, the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form. The altar was draped in mourning, as was also a large picture of the loved and lamented late President of the United States, Companion William McKinley.

The Credentials Committee reported as present and entitled to vote 100 Companions, there being Representatives from fifty-four Chapters.

Grand High Priest M. E. Companion Andrew P. Swanstrom, whose face appears opposite the title page, in his address made patriotic mention of the country's loss by the assassination of President McKinley, and among the deaths of prominent Craftsmen appears the name of Companion Ed C. Parmelee.

Of Special Dispensations he said:

Dispensations for receiving and acting upon petitions at other times than that fixed by the By-Laws should not be granted except for the general good of the craft.

Yet three times he found it advisable to grant this class of petition. He also granted other Dispensations, principally to elect and install officers.

Regarding the condition of the Rite he said:

Our Chapters are generally prosperous, and peace and harmony prevail. Our relations with other Grand Jurisdictions are friendly.

Grand Treasurer reports \$7,057.42 on hand.

The report on deceased Companions contained a reference to the late President of the United States, and that portion was engrossed on parchment, signed by the Grand High Priest, attested by the Grand Secretary, and transmitted to Mrs. McKinley at Canton.

Appropriations to the amount of \$500 for relief were made for the coming year.

In the evening the Royal Arch Degree was exemplified by the officers of Ark Chapter No. 53, and the Grand Secretary added as a note:

It is safe to say that the work throughout was never better done in this Jurisdiction.

The twelfth Report on Correspondence, by Companion Thomas Montgomery, is submitted as an appendix. It occupies fifty pages. He must have an excellent hydraulic power condensing machine, for he gets the pith of all the proceedings into his report, and finishes with a valuable statistical table, the same as always accompanies his reports.

He quotes us on mileage and the urging of candidates, which we appreciate.

His statistics show in the United States 2,640 Chapters, with a membership of 225,835; in other parts of North America 133 Chapters, and a membership of 7,958; making a total in North America of 2,773 Chapters and 233,763 members. Of the Grand Chapters, including General Grand Chapters in the United States, Colorado stands twenty-sixth in number.

MISSISSIPPI, 1902.

Fifty-Fourth Annual.

Held at Winona, February 26th and 27th, M. E. Companion John S. Cobb, Grand High Priest. The Acting Grand Secretary having reported that there was a constitutional quorum present, the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form.

The Grand High Priest said:

Many familiar faces appear before me, bright, cheerful and beaming with fraternal love, some new and some strange ones, not heretofore met in the Grand Body, and several old, familiar, friendly faces are conspicuous by their absence. These facts should be object lessons to us. The many constant and sudden changes in the personnel of our Grand Bodies reminds us of the transitory nature of everything human, and admonishes us to faithfulness and zeal in the execution of duties assigned us, and to thankfulness to Jehovah that we are permitted to remain—to appropriate and profit by the good example of those who have gone before us.

He started one new Chapter to work, chartered at the last session of the Grand Chapter, and constituted by proxy seven rechartered and reorganized Chapters. He further granted Dispensations for the formation of three new Chapters, all of which received Charters. He also revived five dormant Chapters, which likewise had Charters ordered for them.

He authorized the removal of three Chapters to new locations.

He refused a Dispensation to confer the degrees on a minister who had not resided the requisite time in the Jurisdiction.

The next Annual Grand Convocation is again to be held at Winona.

The Grand Lecturer is hereafter to receive \$125 per month and his expenses, one-fourth to be paid by the Grand Council and the rest by the Grand Chapter, and is to devote all his time to the Council and Chapter work.

A portrait of the Grand High Priest and one of the late Grand Secretary, J. L. Power, shows us what manner of men carry on the business of the Royal Craft in Mississippi. Companion Power was Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge thirty-two years, of the Grand Chapter thirty years, of the Grand Council thirty years, and Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery thirty-one years. Companion P. M. Savery submitted his twenty-third annual report on Capitular Correspondence, in which forty-four Grand Chapters are reviewed. As he confines it to sixty pages, there is is not a great deal of space for each Jurisdiction or for comment.

MISSOURI, 1902.

Fifty-Sixth Annual.

We are greeted with the features of M. E. Thurston B. Duncan, Grand High Priest, in a good half tone, on referring to the proceedings held at Jefferson City, April 23rd and 24th. All the Grand Officers were present and eighty-six of the ninety-eight Chapters represented when the Grand High Priest opened Grand Chapter in Ample Form.

From his address is the following:

This has been a prosperous year for Capitular Masonry, and our official returns show a total membership of 7,938, a net gain of 427 members. I note with pleasure that every Subordinate Chapter has made returns and paid all dues in full to the Grand Secretary.

In the necrology report he mentions the death of his own father, who had been a zealous and active worker in early life.

Cold weather on three occasions and a riot on another necessitated him giving Dispensations to elect officers, a quorum not having been present on the stated date.

He refused two Dispensations for balloting, for good and sufficient reasons.

Evidently they do things on a wholesale scale in Kansas City, for he says:

I had the pleasure of attending the conferring of the degree of Most Excellent Master by Orient Chapter No. 102, at Kansas City, upon the greater part of a class of 104. This is unprecedented in the history of the Order. Great praise is due Excellent High Priest Milburn for the able manner in which the work was done. I have never seen it excelled.

Our hope is that it will always remain unprecedented. We are not in favor of large classes.

The report of the Masonic Home is interesting. There are now on the roster 143—81 children and 52 old people. The receipts were \$16,774, and the expenses \$13,242.45. Balance on hand, \$13,717.62. The securities held for account of Knights Templar Endowment Fund amount to \$50,000.

The card system of historical register was adopted. Companion William H. Mayo presented his twenty-third Annual Report on Correspondence. It covers ninety-seven pages and reviews fifty Jurisdictions, ending with a good statistical table. We agree so well with all he says that comment is unnecessary.

MONTANA, 1901.

Twelfth Annual.

We find these notices in opening the proceedings of the Convocation of September 17th:

First—That they were delayed in issuance on account of sickness; and second, that the Grand Representative system has been abolished, and no further Commissions will be issued.

M. E., W. E. Chamberlain was Grand High Priest, and his portrait adorns the proceedings.

Grand Secretary reported that all the Chapters in

the Jurisdiction had made returns and paid dues.

The Grand Chapter was then opened in Ample Form by the Grand High Priest, all but two of the Chapters being represented. Immediately following the opening a discussion arose as to the use of the seven-branch candlestick in opening on the Royal Arch Degree, and the subject was referred to the Jurisprudence Committee, who later on in the session reported the following recommendation:

That the candlestick be used only in the ceremonies of the Most Excellent Master's Degree and Royal Arch Degree, when the room or a portion thereof is made to represent the sanctum sanctorum or Holy of Holies of King Solomon's Temple.

From the Grand Master's address we quote:

We come to stimulate, help, and interest each other; to advance the objects of Capitular Masonry in this Jurisdiction; to plan for the future, that her record shall be mightier than in the past.

The great underlying principles cannot be changed. Her objects to-day are the same as in her incipiency, but practical improvement can and will be made, and her mighty influences for good be felt. Her opportunities are many. May the future be more fruitful of good deeds than the past, and when we have all successfully passed the veils, with valuable discoveries for the world, may this Grand Chapter have upon the trestle-board more perfect designs for the Craft to pursue their labor.

His exalted opinion of the General Grand Chapter was much lowered by his attendance at it, for he says:

To my surprise the General Grand Chapter was received by the Grand Chapter of Ohio, which opened its session under an entirely different ritual, they never having adopted the General Grand Chapter ritual. The excellent and enchanting music was rendered by a Catholic choir, the ladies and gentlemen of which came and went at pleasure during the session of the General Grand Chapter.

He granted a Dispensation to the Royal Arch Masons at Anacouda to form a Chapter. He was in the happy condition of not having had to make a decision.

Grand Secretary's report says:

We virtually began in 1891 with ten Chapters and a total membership of 567. We have added five new Chartered Chapters, and have one under Dispensation—and increase in our total membership to 885.

The Masonic Home Fund has \$792.52 in it, being increased during the year by \$145.80, of which \$38.80 was interest, and the remaining \$107 from 10 per cent. of Grand Chapter revenue.

The following amendments to the Constitution were made:

ARTICLE IX.

Section 6—He (the G. H. P.) shall have power to issue Dispensations to shorten the time in which a ballot shall be taken upon an applicant; but such ballot shall be had at a regular meeting.

Section 7—He (the G. H. P.) shall have the power to grant a Dispensation to confer more than one degree upon a candidate during

the same evening.

The Thirteenth Annual is set for September 16th, in the City of Butte.

There is no change in the author of the Correspondence Report. Companion Cornelius Hedges, the Grand Secretary, again edits it, though he tells us it has been written under the difficulties of rheumatism.

He says he believes he is in a minority in holding that the actual presence of a Charter is indispensable. He gives Colorado's Twenty-Sixth Annual considerable space. He sympathizes with us in the death of his dear friend, "Ed.," our Grand Secretary for so long.

On our condemnation of soliciting candidates he says:

But he (Foster) must admit that there is a proper way to do this, by showing others that it has made us better men. Still we think, after men have become Masons, that more freedom of speech and intercourse is admissible, though anything like electioneering is certainly objectionable.

Yes, on such grounds as you first state, we are with you, and even on the last; if there is not solicitation, we should not object.

On the refusal in North Carolina to grant a Dispensation to elect a High Priest from the floor, he says:

We believe that might be done even without a Dispensation.

That might depend on special local legislation, but with no law to the contrary it certainly can be done; in fact, in our own case, we jumped from Royal Arch Captain to High Priest.

In his conclusion he says:

It is encouraging to know that the Rituals of the General Grand Chapter, as its history and merits are becoming better known, is being more widely adopted.

NEBRASKA, 1901.

Thirty-Fifth Annual.

M. E. Companion John S. Harman, Grand High Priest, opened the Grand Chapter in Ample Form on December 11th, at Omaha. Grand Lecturer and Grand Principal Sojourner were absent, otherwise all the officers were found in their stations. On call of the roll of Chartered Chapters thirty-eight were found to be represented.

In the Grand High Priest's address this is to be found:

Companions, we are indeed to be congratulated upon the healthy growth and the prosperous condition of our order, and the harmony existing among the Craft during the past year. You will note from the Committee on Returns that our net gain is greater during the past year than during any year since 1894, and that the number of exaltations exceeds any year since 1893. Another encouraging point, as shown in this report, is that the number of reinstatements exceeds that of any year since the organization of this Grand Chapter.

Two Dispensations to organize new Chapters were asked for. One of these was withdrawn after consultation with the Grand Lecturer, and the other was refused.

It would be well if other Grand High Priests could make the following report:

I am glad to be able to congratulate this Grand Chapter on the fact that I have not been called upon during my term of office for a Dispensation to elect or install officers out of time. Nor have I been asked to issue a Dispensation to confer degrees out of time. This is indeed flattering to the Chapters and to the members of this Grand Chapter.

He is right, too, on the collection of dues. He says:

I have been informed that in some instances the Chapters do not dare to attempt to force collection of dues, for fear they will have to suspend so many that they would not have enough resident members left for a quorum. This is not as it should be, and would not occur if the Chapters would adopt the rule of enforcing the collection of dues each year. I learn from the Chapters that follow this rule (and there are some that do), that they seldom find it necessary to suspend a Companion for non-payment of dues, and when they do, the amount is so small that the members suspended soon seek reinstatement in the way provided by law.

A good Secretary, who notifies the members two or three times a year, is a great boon to a Chapter, and saves much of the trouble about dues.

Several decisions were made, some on local law only.

He had to call attention of the Subordinate Chapters to the matter of sending in their annual returns more promptly. It does seem curious that it is so difficult to make Secretaries understand the necessity of being prompt with returns, but it is so all over the country, and the only reason that can be given for it is that the large majority of Secretaries are unsuited for the office they hold. A good Secretary always attends to those matters on time.

Regarding suspensions or reinstatements caused by the action of a Lodge, he says:

Many of the Chapters do not seem to understand that the mere fact that a Companion has been suspended or reinstated by his Lodge does not suspend or reinstate him in his Chapter. It is necessary, in order to make the suspension or reinstatement a fact, or legal, in the Chapter, that the High Priest should make the announcement in open Chapter.

That may be Nebraska law, but we were taught that we could not hold Masonic intercourse with one who had been suspended or expelled from a Lodge, and it would seem to us that if he was admitted to the Chapter after suspension by his Lodge, the High Priest failing to make the announcement, that all who participated in that Chapter meeting would be holding Masonic intercourse with him, when they had solemnly promised not to do so. We do, however, believe that the announcement should always be made by the Secretary and appear upon the record, so that at any time the matter can be looked up.

The Grand Lecturer, Companion Robert E. French, having been appointed Grand Custodian of the Grand Lodge, which requires that all his time be devoted to that work, had to request the Grand High Priest to excuse him from further service as Grand Lecturer, and in his report he bids them adieu.

The Committee on Returns reports the membership 3,032.

The Committee on Grievances, having had under consideration a flagrant case of invasion of Jurisdiction, reported:

In the opinion of your Committee, the action of Eureka Chapter was un-Masonic in the extreme, is without justification or excuse, and merits the severest condemnation of this Grand Body. The arrest of the Charter of Eureka Chapter would not be in excess of the offence committed. Believing, however, that the best interests of Masonry do not call for such extreme measures, we recommend an expression of censure by this Grand Chapter, and that the approval and adoption of this report be considered sufficient.

They also stated that the fees rightfully belong to the Chapter whose Jurisdiction had been invaded.

Invitations from Lincoln and Omaha were received for the place of meeting of the next Convocation, and on a ballot being taken Omaha was selected.

Companion Charles J. Phelps submitted his tenth Report on Correspondence. The statistical portion he placed in tabulated form for ready reference. The report covers the Jurisdiction, and occupies sixty-nine pages, in which Colorado receives attention in nearly two pages, a more than liberal proportion. Commenting on the reason assigned by Grand High Priest Dean for refusing a Special Dispensation to publicly install because "our institution is distinctively a secret society," he says:

How could our companion be so mistaken? Our institution is not distinctively a secret society. It is a society having a few secrets. The term is, in view of the distinctively secret societies known as such in the Old World, hatched, many of them, in monarchies to plot against the government, one of reproach, misapplied, by our enemies to Freemasonry. Our organizations, their places of meeting, their officers, our published declaration of our principles, the very traditions upon which the ceremonies of our Lodges and Chapters are founded, are open to and known by all students of our literature.

On the excuses of Grand High Priests for granting Dispensations he aptly says:

To all of which we say, of course, but why Grand High Priests so generally make apparent excuses for doing their duty in this regard, we are unable to see. The power existing, and no other provision made, why not exercise the authority as of course! It is probably the case of a guilty conscience accusing them of knowing and doing what they ought not to do, that calls upon them to make excuse. If it was a proper thing to do, then as an excuse it is out of place.

The following certainly is justice—one of the four cardinal virtues we are taught to inculcate:

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We do not believe it lawful, right, or proper in any case, to charge dues during the suspension of a member.

NEVADA, 1902.

Twenty-Ninth Annual.

The features of M. E. Grand High Priest William Sutherland are presented to us in the proceedings of the Convocation held June 9 and 10, in Carson City. Upon roll call all the officers except Masters of the First and Third Veils and Royal Arch Captain, were present, as well as Representatives of six Constituent Chapters, whereupon the Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form.

Among his acts was the installation in public of the officers of Virginia Chapter No. 2. He advised the amendment of the Constitution concerning Jurisdiction so that an applicant who resides over fifty miles from a Chapter could apply to whatever Chapter best suited his convenience. The Jurisprudence Committee, to whom it was referred, did not consider it advisable, and the amendment did not pass.

He did not make any decisions, saying:

I have not been called upon for any decisions during the past year. This should be a good omen, evidencing at least that everything is prospering harmoniously and that the officers of Subordinate Chapters are keeping themselves well informed in the law of Capitular Masonry.

An attempt to reduce the fees to \$30 as a minimum, although it received the recommendation of the Jurisprudence Committee, was unsuccessful.

The Correspondence Committee is to have a new head, as E. Companion E. D. Vanderlick was appointed Chairman, and therefore we shall hear no more songs from our "Bird," though in this pamphlet we find he reviewed forty-eight Jurisdictions with his accustomed ability. This was his introduction:

The review of proceedings this year shows that all Jurisdictions are prospering financially and in members. But very few decisions are called for. Grievance and Appeal Committees have had but little work. The tendency for dependent membership is strong all along the line. Chapters and Grand Chapters are aiding Masonic Homes, and we have no doubt the individual Companions are strengthening the work of charity.

Colorado receives a whole page of fraternal notice, and though he does not give his own opinion, quotes what we said on rotation in office.

He is with those who believe in public installations, for he says:

We can see no impropriety whatever in the public installation of officers of Masonic Bodies, any more than the laying of a cornerstone in public; the ceremonies used on both occasions are in print and are open to the profane. If they may read these forms and ceremonies, why may they not witness them? We believe that an occasional ceremony of this kind would be of service to the Fraternity.

Membership, 309; an increase of 11. There are seven Constituent Chapters.

NEW BRUNSWICK, 1901.

Fourteenth Annual.

This was held at the City of Saint John, on Wednesday, the 28th day of August. M. E. John A. Watson, Grand High Priest, in the Grand East, eight Constituent Chapters represented. In his address, as a loyal citizen he pays a nice tribute to his departed Queen, and welcomes her successor, Edward VII., the distinguished Craftsman who now sits upon the Imperial throne of Britain.

Among those to whom memorial pages were recommended was our late Grand Secretary.

But two Dispensations were found necessary during the year, and these were to elect and install officers at a date other than provided by the Constitution.

A form of Warrant to be issued to Subordinate Chap-

ters was adopted.

In the selection of their officers they do not follow the "rotation in office plan," so common in the Jurisdictions of the United States, for, excluding Treasurer and Secretary, only four received advancement, the Grand Scribe becoming Grand High Priest.

A Ritual Committee of ten was appointed. No correspondence report.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1901.

Eighty-Second Annual.

The portrait used as a frontispiece is an excellent one of George Washington Currier, Grand High Priest, 1879. This Convocation was held in the City of Concord, May 14th, with M. E. Companion Franklin A. Rawson, Grand High Priest in the East, and twenty-two Chapters represented.

The returns show twenty-five Chapters on the roll,

with a membership of 3,669, an increase of 23.

There was nothing of particular interest to the Capitu-

lar World in general in the proceedings.

The Correspondence Report by Companion A. S. Wait reviews fifty-one Grand Jurisdictions in 100 pages. There are no comments, but all things of interest found in the proceedings are carefully noted and reviewed. He says that our views are generally such as he can endorse, of which we are proud, as we like to find our views considered sound.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1902.

Eighty-Third Annual.

M. E. Companion Franklin A. Rawson, Grand High Priest, opened Grand Chapter in the City of Concord, May 20, with all the Grand Officers, ten Past Grand High Priests, a number of Past High Priests and Representatives from twenty-four Subordinate Chapters present. From his address we take the following:

The great development of nature's hidden wealth, the activity and amalgamation of different interests, the accumulation of immense fortunes, the bursting forth from the bowels of the earth, smouldering clements devouring God's people, their wealth and their all, are some of the mighty happenings as we enter this Twentieth Century.

There seems to be no assurance to judge the future by the past; but be up and doing with the rush, and gather in, if possible; if not, fall by the wayside, and the consequences will soon determine one's fate. Thus, Companions, we are living in an eventful period, and time is so fast passing, and different interests need watching so closely, that we can hardly stop for a thought, and to consider our Fraternal relations to each other.

He gave a long list of departed, reported several visitations, but two Dispensations, and no decisions.

His associate officers reported the visits they had

The Committee on Returns of Charters reported twenty-five Chapters on the roll with a membership of 3,678.

A regulation was adopted requiring marks to be recorded before exaltation.

A dinner was provided for Grand Chapter, and all Companions invited to attend.

The Correspondence Report was made by Companion A. S. Wait, in which he reviews forty-eight Jurisdictions in eighty-eight pages, of which one and one-half pages are devoted to Colorado for 1901. Of us he says:

The proceedings are of considerable interest, but only important in a local point of view.

On Jurisdiction, under Connecticut, we find this:

It was among our early instructions in Masonic law, gained from decisions of Grand Masters, and writers of high repute as Masonic jurists, that election of a candidate gives the electing Lodge no Jurisdiction over him, and that he is still at liberty to apply to any other Lodge without regard to the election. That the reason of perpetual Jurisdiction over rejected candidates has no application to candidates elected. We believe this the sound and reasonable doctrine.

Disagreeing with Companion Vaux, of Pennsylvania, on physical qualification, the imperfection being received after having received the Blue Lodge degrees, he takes the liberal view, and says:

As we have before done, we freely acknowledge the force of his argument and, if we could forget the well known truths of Masonic history which have developed the Capitular Degrees, as we at present have them in this country, and close our eyes to the principles under-

lying the Masonic institution, which unite all its degrees in one logical and indissoluble system, the argument might perhaps appear conclusive. But in separating the Lodge from the Chapter, no Masonic principle has been abonded. The Capitular Degrees remain precisely the same in spirit and principle as when conferred in the Lodge. In assuming a separate and independent organization for the mere purposes of government, the Chapter had no right to abandon any principle before attachable to its degrees, and in undertaking to do so it would place itself outside the pale of Masonic institution. We are hence constrained to think that in the matter of advancement to its degrees the same principle applies respecting physical qualification as if still united in the same body. If there is not this continuity in the degrees included in the Lodge and Chapter, forming one logical system, the Lodge degrees are hopelessly incomplete, and the degrees of the Chapter have no significance and no meaning, and ought to be repudiated by Masons for that reason. We regard them, on the contrary, as forming one general whole, its parts mutually related and interdependent upon each other, a united structure, its parts resting upon a common foundation, its pinnacle the growth of its united parts and pointing to the same sublime results.

Since writing the above, in reviewing the proceedings of the Grand Chapter of England, our attention has been recalled to the fact that there the Chapters have never become separated from the Lodges in outward organization but are still attached to the Lodges, each Chapter being chartered as to be attached to a Lodge, and to bear its name. It thus appears that in England, where Royal Arch Masoury took its rise, the premises of our Companion, on which he

founds his argument, have no existence in fact.

On the actual presence of the Charter he is on the side of those who do not consider it a necessity. He says:

The more we examine the subject, the more are we convinced that there is no standing ground for the doctrine that the requirement of the presence of the Charter is a landmark, or that it possesses any of the elements of a landmark in Masonry.

On legislating against any particular business or vocation he quotes Companion Swain, of Wisconsin, and says:

For ourselves, always in sympathy with the temperance cause, and always a prohibitionist in sentiment, upon this matter of Masonic legislation we are in entire agreement with these views of Companions Swain and Davies.

And he might have added Foster.

NEW JERSEY, 1902.

Forty-sixth Annual.

Some very good portraits are found inserted in these proceedings. The Convocation was held in the rooms of Three-Times-Three Chapter at Trenton, May 14, and M. E. William H. Grosscup, Grand High Priest, presided, there being present Representatives from thirty Constituent Chapters. In front of the Grand East were three draped chairs in memory of Past Grand Officers. Many distinguished visitors were present, and appropriately received.

The Grand High Priest's address contained the fol-

lowing:

Let us, one and all, Companions, not lose sight of the glorious heritage that has come to us from our fathers, the title of Royal Arch Masons, and let us keep faithfully the secrets of Capitular Masonry, bearing in mind the sacred trust imposed in us in the solemnities of the Royal Arch, whose antiquity can only be measured by the history of Craft Masonry, with which it is so intimately connected and so thoroughly interwoven in symbolism and tradition.

The past year has been fraught with great prosperity for this Grand Chapter; peace and harmony prevail throughout the Jurisdiction; the fraternal bonds that bind us to our Sister Jurisdictions remain unbroken; the future seems laden with golden opportunities for the advancement of the Royal Craft, and all around us throughout

our beloved country prosperity reigns supreme.

In the necrology part of his address was the Deputy Grand High Priest and two Past Grand High Priests, as well as many distinguished Companions from other Jurisdictions.

He found it unnecessary to make any official decisions. A few very proper Dispensations were granted. He granted a large number of waivers of Jurisdiction to New York and Pennsylvania Chapters, and like courtesies were returned when asked for.

On Ritual he said:

Capitular Masonry is worthy of our best and most intelligent efforts. Its Ritual and ceremonies should be impressively rendered with that solemnity and dignity becoming all Masonic work. I have been particularly pleased with the work as I have witnessed it in the Chapters I have visited during the past year, and am convinced that it is the desire of the officers of the Subordinate Chapters to have their work as absolutely correct as possible. There is no place

in any of the degrees for anything but the strictest decorum and the literal observance of Masonic traditions; every High Priest should fully understand that he is not to tolerate or allow the work of his Chapter to be anything but that which is in accord with the dignity and solemnity that characterizes Masonry.

Regarding Marks, he said:

The Book of Marks in many of our Chapters is sadly neglected, and rarely, if ever, seen, except on the demand of the visiting officers. While some of the Chapters adhere strictly to requirements, and have Books of Marks that reflect great credit upon them, I would desire that hereafter no Mark Master Mason be advanced in this Jurisdiction until he had selected and recorded his mark.

The Committee on the Early History of Royal Arch Masonry in New Jersey, particularly relating to the period antedating the formation of the present Grand Body, reported, Companion I. Layton, Chairman, reading a most interesting paper.

New Warrants (Charters) were ordered issued to two Chapters which had had theirs destroyed by fire.

We regret to see the following report by the Committee on Constitutions, and greatly prefer the Grand High Priest's position as stated above:

That the choosing and recording of Marks, while of undoubted utility to the Operative Masons of ancient times, is of but little practical value to Speculative Masons, except for adornment, and by general consent is not obligatory. It is not advisable to make innovations or changes in existing custom or usage in connection with this subject.

Companion Charles Belcher gives another of his Correspondence Reports, full of interest and instructive. Fifty Jurisdictions passed under his critical eye, to which he devoted 114 pages. Colorado had fraternal recognition in two pages, and of Companion George W. Roe's address, he says:

The concise and practical address closes with expressions of appreciation of honors conferred and assistance rendered.

On perpetual Jurisdiction, claimed by Connecticut on elected material, he says:

We fail to see where perpetual Jurisdiction should be in evidence in such a case. His election is evidence of fitness, and if circumstances necessitated his removal to a distant Jurisdiction, his former application and election certainly should not necessitate permission to apply elsewhere. We do not question the law, but think there should be some distinction between worthy and unworthy material.

And we agree with this, for the reason given:

We are inclined to the opinion that Grand Chapters have the right to say whether holding membership in the Lodge shall be a prerequisite for Capitular privileges and membership, not because it is the duty of the Chapter to protect the Lodge, but rather the duty of the individual. We have no use for children who ignore their parents.

Again we are in accord on the following:

We do not agree that Masons should worship in churches as corporate bodies; it is the individual, not the body, that does the worshiping, and the presence of aprons and jewels in the "House of the Lord" cannot add to the feeling of reverence with which the individual should be invested when communing with the Supreme Master. If the jewels and aprons are to be worn to designate the "Body," the wearing of robes would make the designation more apparent, but if robes are improper, so also is other distinguishing clothing.

NEW MEXICO, 1901.

Fourth Annual.

The Craftsmen assembled for this Convocation in Albuquerque, October 23rd, and Grand High Priest M. E. Companion E. Cosgrove presided, and all ten Subordinate Chapters had representation.

From the address we quote:

Here we may also renew that friendly intercourse incident to the meeting of the Grand Chapter, and enjoy that satisfaction that comes to brethren who meet for the noble purpose of promoting measures for the welfare and prosperity of their fellow-men.

It is a matter of congratulation to note that the Chapters are in a healthy condition, and the utmost harmony prevails throughout

the Jurisdiction.

I have not been called upon for any decisions during my term of office, which is an indication that the several Chapters make a more thorough study of the Constitution, laws and decisions of this and other Grand Chapters.

The finances of this Grand Chapter are in a flourishing condition and I would recommend that our Grand Secretary be paid a salary. So far he has faithfully performed the duties without compensation.

The Committee on Correspondence, Companion W. H. Seaman, Chairman, submitted a brief report, in which he particularly refers to the recognition of the

Grand Chapter of New Mexico, but says that in eighteen Jurisdictions, although referred to in cordial terms by the Committees on Foreign Correspondence, no other notice is taken of their existence. Among these is Colorado. We thought official recognition had been given, but possibly it was overlooked, and likely, if so, it was the fault of this scribe, for such matters are usually referred to this Committee:

The Committee says further:

We have read all of the above Proceedings, but find nothing in them requiring notice here. No questions of any but local importance are under discussion, and we do not care enough for the honors of telling how little we know about Royal Arch Masonry to be willing to start any subjects for discussion.

The Report on Grand High Priest's Address, adopted by Grand Chapter, did not fall in with the Grand High Priest's recommendation to purchase regalia, but instead said:

During the next few years we well know that the local Chapters will permit this Grand Chapter to use their regalia and jewels, and until our Charity Fund becomes larger, this matter can be postponed.

A good conclusion to come to, but we have hunted through the proceedings to find this Charity Fund, and have been unable to find it, though on the Grand Secretary's account a balance in hands of Treasurer of \$100 is given, though the Treasurer makes no mention of it. We are interested in Charity Funds and would like to know more about this of New Mexico.

The Grand Chapter Funds in excess of an amount sufficient to meet contingent expenses for the current year are to be loaned by the Grand Council, to the end that it may be a source of income for the Grand Chapter.

Chapters, 10; membership, 462; net gain, 13.

NEW YORK, 1902.

One Hundred and Fifth Annual.

The Grand Royal Arch Chapter convened February 4th, in the City of Albany, all the Grand Officers being present, and M. E., J. Harris Balston, Grand High Priest in the East, who opened Grand Chapter in Ample Form with Representatives from 185 of the 192 Constituent Chapters enrolled.

From his address we take the following words:

The past year has been fraught with many changes. We have seen our country happily and steadily recovering from the serious effects of a war with a foreign power, and from years of business depression. Peace has prevailed in the councils of the Nation, and prosperity abounds on every side. The fields of the husbandmen have yielded an hundredfold and groan beneath the weight of bountcous harvests. The marts of trade and commerce have been taxed to their very utmost and Heaven has smiled upon the labors of our people.

He then turns to the other side of the picture, relates the great loss to the country, and pronounces a fit eulogium upon the martyred President.

Further on he says:

The progress made during the past year, and the results accomplished, have been very encouraging and satisfactory. The membership has increased, new Chapters have been constituted, and earnest and vigorous efforts have been put forth by the Companions throughout the Jurisdiction for the promotion of the interests of Capitular Masonry, which promise an increased prosperity for the near future.

Also:

In our relations with other Grand Bodies nothing has cast a shadow upon the harmony and good feeling that exists.

He granted six Dispensations to Lodges to hold Special Convocations elsewhere than in their own tabernacles, but within their own Jurisdiction.

This Grand Jurisdiction, the largest in the United States, is so well regulated and its officers so well instructed that, during the whole year, there was not any necessity for a decision.

He constituted two Chapters by proxy, business engagements preventing his doing so personally. He also granted Dispensations for the formation of two Chapters.

He visited officially twenty-six Chapters.

From the Grand Secretary's report we gather the following statistics: Exaltations, 1,970; dimitted, 228; suspended for non-payment of dues, 600; there being a net gain of 1,093, making the membership, December 27, 1900, 23,289.

On the second day, at the morning session, the Ritual of the Royal Arch Degree was exemplified in Full Form, under the direction of the Grand Lecturer.

The two Chapters which had worked U. D. received grants of Charters.

The Thirteenth Annual Report on Correspondence from the pen of Companion George J. Gardner, was presented by him, and gives much valuable information in the space of 127 pages, covering the proceedings of fiftyone Grand Bodies. All we can say is, Read it; it is full of instruction, well selected from the reports of other Jurisdictions.

Under California he well says:

Special Dispensations had been granted "to ballot without the usual delay" in three cases. Were we to investigate the motives which prompt candidates to urge the waiving of the constitutional period, we are fearful that we should find they were more anxious to wear the costume and wield the sword of a Knight Templar, or don the fez and trend the "burning sands" rather than acquire true Masonic light and knowledge in the historical symbolism and moral tenets of the Craft. Take time and study as you progress in the Masonic highway, my dear Companions, is the advice of one who has finished that journey, and who is now about to "rest from his labors."

And on the same subject, under District of Columbia:

He (Davies of California), has this excellent advice touching the "rushing process." We have for many years raised our warning voice against this evil. Still it prevails and will continue to do so as long as there are "higher degrees" beyond to be attained. In our early days we had to wait, and we have always since considered it profitable for us that we did so, but in these days of rapid transit, when the sword, plume and baldric, and the mysticism of the thirty-third are the cynosures upon which the eye is fixed, speed and not knowledge are the main requisites. Alas, the innovations of the age!

He notices, as we have, how little, as a rule, our Grand Bodies do to assist the needy, for, under Canada, he wrote:

A matter which has become almost obsolete in many Grand Bodies is retained in that Grand Chapter—the "Grants for Benevolence" being \$625, divided among twenty-three recipients.

On actual presence of Charter, commenting on the action of M. E. Companion Warvelle of Illinois, which he endorses, he says:

We are pleased with the above expressions, because they harmonize so fully with our own views, often expressed in these reports, and coming from so exalted an official source, must have more weight and influence than those coming from an unofficial source. The question arises, What is a charter? We reply, merely a certificate of action had by an authorized body conferring certain powers upon a congregated number of persons. The act itself is the charter, not the ordinary instrument usually carried on the person having the supreme authority to govern the body or suspended on the walls of the place of meeting. What particular virtue there is in this certificate we never could see, or why the powers of the body should be suspended on account of its absence. The act itself is a matter of permanent record in the archives of the power granting the certificate or so-called charter, and cannot be invalidated by the destruction of the certificate of that fact. Copies of such certificate could be issued, although the original signatures could not be had in duplicates. Why, then, is such stress placed upon the instrument usually denominated a Charter?

He once more emphasizes what all thoughtful Royal Arch Masons insist on, viz., a proper way of conducting the ceremonies. These are his words:

He (M. E. Van Winkle, of West Virginia) also calls attention to the reprehensible practices in some Chapters of profaning and belittling the Ritualistic work in carrying out in a proper spirit the true symbolism of the history or legend. We have in nearly all our reports spoken with no uncertain sound regarding what appears to us as almost a sacriligious proceeding.

Rev. James Byron Murray, Grand Chaplain, adds another of his splendid addresses, designating it "The Purpose of Freemasonry." To appreciate it you must read it in its entirety. We will not spoil it by mutilation or quotation.

There is also printed the address of Companion Rev. Joseph Prentiss, Grand Chaplain, delivered in 1829, and it remains good reading for the present day.

An extract from the Grand Chapter proceedings in 1827, giving the report of a Committee of the Grand Chapter on the Morgan trouble, is given, which reads:

Whereas, The rights of personal liberty and security are guaranteed by the free Constitution under which we, the members of this Grand Chapter, in common with the rest of our fellow citizens, have

the happiness to live.

And, whereas, we esteem the preservation of these rights of vital importance to the perpetuity and full enjoyment of the blessings of our Republican institutions; and, whereas, the community has lately witnessed a violation of the same, under the alleged pretext of the Masonick name and sanction, in the case of William Morgan; and, whereas, the principles of our ancient and honorable fraternity contain nothing which, in the slightest degree, justifies or authorizes such proceedings; but, on the contrary, do in all their tenets and ceremonies encourage and inculcate a just submission to the laws, the enjoyment of equal rights by every individual, and a high and clevated spirit of personal as well as national independence;

Therefore, Resolved, By this Grand Chapter, that we, its members, individually and as a body, do disclaim all knowledge or memoers, individually and as a body, do discining all knowledge or approbation of the said proceedings, in relation to the abduction of the said William Morgan; and that we disapprove of the same, as a violation of the majesty of the laws and an infringement of the rights of personal liberty, secured to every citizen of our free and happy Republick.

NORTH CAROLINA, 1902.

Fifty-Fourth Annual.

This Convocation was held at Winston, June 10th and 11th. The proceedings contain a portrait of M. E. Companion D. E. Allen, who opened Grand Chapter in Ample Form, and presided during the session. His address was very brief, but the printer, the binder or someone made a mix-up of the Grand High Priest's address and Grand Secretary's report.

He restored one Charter and granted Dispensation

for the organization of another.

The Grand Secretary compiled a register of all Subordinate Chapters.

Eighteen Chapters made returns and paid dues, with a membership of 853.

One Chapter was granted a Charter.

The advisability of holding the Annual Convocation at Raleigh immediately following the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, was reported on adversely, and

the report was adopted.

The Grand Council was directed to select a boy or girl from the Oxford Orphan Asylum and send to the Normal College at Greensboro, the expenses of the said child to be borne by the Grand Chapter, to an amount not exceeding \$100.

Wilmington was selected as the next place of meeting.
The Grand Chapter of New Mexico was welcomed into the Sisterhood.

The Nineteenth Report on Correspondence by Companion James Southgate reviews fifty Grand Chapters, in his usual fraternal spirit.

He has no use for recording marks, in which we differ with him. This is what he says:

Let those who wish to do so record their mark on the "Lodge Book of Marks," that future generations may look upon them as reminders that they have taken the Degree. We do not object to this, but to consider them to be an essential feature of the Degree, we say no.

Under Colorado, he gives a very nice notice of Companion Ed. C. Parmelee, whose death was given in our proceedings.

On the Ritual he said:

We think it more impressive to give each Degree in its entirety, including the lecture.

On the proper place for the Charter he says:

We have always said that the lodge room is the best place for the Charter, but not the only place, for in the ceremony of installation the Charter is committed to the care of the Master, and so long as it is in his possession, whether in the Lodge or in his office, the Lodge is authorized to work. If the charter is destroyed by fire we see that in several Jurisdictions the Lodge is allowed to work until the next meeting of the Grand Lodge, when a new Charter may be granted. The Charter is a permission to do certain things; the three great lights are used in the performance of those things. The builder has a contract to put up the house. He must have tools to carry out the contract. The Charter is a contract between the Grand Lodge and the Subordinate to do certain work; the contract must be in existence and under the supervision of the Master. If in the Lodge, all right; if in the house of the Master, all right. As we have before said, the sermon is of as much force if the minister has his credentials in his trunk, as in his pocket in the pulpit. We must not be understood as objecting to having the Charter in the lodge

room. By no means. We are only contending that if by any reason it should not be there, but in keeping of the Master, the Lodge is empowered to work.

He speaks thus well of the General Grand Chapter:

If it does nothing else in several decades, the preparation of the Ritual will, in our judgment, be a monument to its efficiency as a General Grand Body for all time to come.

And on the same subject he also said:

We hope the day is not far distant when all will adopt it, and make the work uniform. Where is a better? If there is one, we should like to have a copy.

Now we agree with him in this:

To see Masons around a banquet board taking liquors, while in the Chapter we pretend to inculcate and teach lessons of temperance, is too inconsistent to think about. We always enter our protest against any such usage, and it is no rare thing to see banquets in this State at our annual meetings without the intoxicating bowl.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1901.

Twelfth Annual.

On opening the proceedings of the Convocation held June 20th at Fargo we are greeted with the features of Grand High Priest M. E. Companion DeWitte C. Moore. Thirteen Chapters represented. The Grand High Priest's address is a brief business document, and is largely taken up with the recital of a long necrology list.

The Grand Treasurer reported a balance of \$1,403.44 on hand, and the Grand Secretary had on hand \$141.74, making total cash assets \$1,545.08.

The Finance Committee recommended a per diem of \$2.00 to be paid to each Representative in actual attendance at Grand Chapter meetings, and the recommendation was adopted, and \$76.00 was paid out at this session.

It was moved and carried:

That the same action be taken by this Grand Chapter relative to the incorporation of particular Chapters as was taken by the Grand Lodge, and the Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary be authorized to prepare necessary papers to carry out the incorporation. Immediately after the installation the retiring Grand High Priest was presented with a beautiful golden and jeweled Grand High Priest medal.

Chapters, 13; membership, 1,025; increase, 18. No Report on Correspondence.

NORTH DAKOTA, 1902.

Thirteenth Annual.

Was held at Fargo commencing June 26, and was presided over by R. E. Companion John Holmes, acting as Grand High Priest, who stated that soon after the close of the last Annual Convocation the Grand High Priest found it necessary, on account of his wife's health, permanently to remove from the Grand Jurisdiction; that a week or so before the present Annual Convocation the Deputy Grand High Priest, owing to ill health, found it necessary to go out of the State for medical attendance, and that the duties of Grand High Priest devolved upon him. At the opening fifteen Chapters were represented.

The annual address was submitted by the Deputy Grand High Priest and read by the Grand Secretary. Among others, he noticed the death of Companion Ed. C. Parmelee. He had granted very few Dispensations, and they were principally made necessary by failure to elect and install officers at the proper time. He also granted one for the organization of a new Chapter, which, at this Convocation, received a Charter as No. 15.

The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended that in cases where the interests of Capitular Masonry would appear to be furthered thereby, that a Dispensation to use a substitute be granted.

Casselton Chapter No. 2, having exalted two at one time without Dispensation, had their action legalized.

The present membership is 1,103.

No Report on Correspondence.

NOVIA SCOTIA, 1901.

Thirty-Second Annual.

Grand Chapter met in Halifax, June 11th. M. E. Companion A. G. McLean, Grand High Priest, presided, and five Subordinate Chapters were represented.

In his address he said:

It is my sad duty to remind you that since we last met this Empire has been called on to mourn the loss of our beloved Queen and Empress, "Victoria, the Good." The grandest reign in the annals of history has been brought to a close. Our dearly beloved Queen has been removed from the Royal grandeur of an earthly throne to the splendors of the Mansions on High. So many glowing tributes have been paid to her splendid life, reign and character, that any words of mine would fail to convey the sentiments I would wish to express.

Among the Fraternal dead, mention is made of Companion Ed. C. Parmelee, our late Grand Secretary.

Dispensations were granted for conferring the Royal Arch Degree in two cases on one candidate, once on nine and once on six. In this Jurisdiction no Dispensation would be necessary in the last two cases, and none would be granted in the first two, for we never exalt less than three at one time.

On the condition of the Craft he reports:

We have made some gains, some Chapters have made good progress, and all have held their own. We have no reason to feel discouraged, although our progress has not been as satisfactory as we would wish during the last few years. All our Chapters are in a healthy and sound condition, financially and otherwise, and the prospects are promising.

The per capita tax is continued at fifty cents per annum.

The Correspondence Report reviews forty-eight Grand Jurisdictions, Colorado included, and is evidently the work of the whole committee, though submitted by the Chairman. Colorado appears to have fallen to the lot of T. V. B. B., and occupies about half a page.

OHIO, 1901.

Eighty-Fifth Annual.

A very large volume comes from this Jurisdiction of the proceedings held at Toledo, September 25th, and as a frontispiece there is the portrait of P. G. H. P. William M. Cunningham. The Grand Officers and members assembled in front of the Boody House. escorted to Memorial Hall by Toledo Commandery No. 7, Knights Templar. A Chapter of Royal Arch Masons was opened by the High Priest of Toledo Chapter No. 161. The officers of the Grand Chapter, being introduced, were received with the Grand Honors and the gavel was presented to M. E. Companion William M. Cunningham, Grand High Priest, who ordered the officers of the Grand Chapter to assume their respective stations. The Chairman of the Credentials Committee reported who were present, including a Constitutional number of Representatives of Chapters in the Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Ohio. Then, after an invocation by the Grand Chaplain, the Grand High Priest declared the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Ohio opened in Ample Form.

We have given this opening ceremony in full, because it is rather unique. We do not like this parading along It smacks too much of the many benefit societies that like to parade before the public. should be more subdued and rather look to be sought after than to parade itself. We don't understand by what authority a plain High Priest opened a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons. He doesn't appear to have had any Dispensation to do so, and the Grand High Priest was not present in person. It certainly could not be that he opened his own Chapter and that the Grand High Priest, by accepting the gavel, converted it into Grand Chapter, for that would not work properly. All we can see is that a High Priest exceeded his authority and opened an irregular Chapter. which the Grand High Priest, finding at work, and being tendered the gavel, healed by declaring this irregular gathering the Grand Chapter.

M. E. Companion Reuben C. Lemmon, Past General Grand High Priest, was introduced by the Marshal, and received with the Grand Honors.

From the Grand High Priest's address we quote:

The Statistics of Capitular Masonry in Ohio again show a remarkable increase in its growth over any preceding year, the exaltations and gains have been 1.773, dimissions and losses 959, making the present membership 17,187, and showing a net gain in membership of 959 over last year (the arithmetic is a little off—we should make it 814), with Grand dues of \$6,849.00, per capita tax for the Ohio Masonic Home of \$4,007.00, and Dispensation fees received of \$400.00, making the grand total in receipts \$11,316.75.

Three Dispensations to establish Chapters were granted by him, and his good judgment in this matter was confirmed by the subsequent action of Grand Chapter in granting them Charters.

He denied all Dispensations, a great contrast to the Kentucky Grand High Priest, who found it advisable to grant seventy.

And for very good reasons he refused to grant one Dispensation for the establishment of a new Chapter. An analysis of the condition in which he found the Chapters is:

Over one-third are very good, one-fourth stationary, and the remainder (about 12 per cent.) poor; a few of the latter class may be termed very poor.

Again the Grand High Priest's arithmetic is at fault, for having accounted for a third and a fourth, or about 59 per cent., he says about 12 per cent. remain. We should think it would be 41 per cent., but perhaps we are too technical, and therefore let it go that he meant 88 per cent. were in pretty good shape.

His decisions, six in number, were passed as good law by the Jurisprudence Committee, and will be found in our Digest.

The Grand Secretary straightens out the membership roll, for he gives the losses as only \$14, which makes the net gain 959. He also tells us that only thirteen Chapters reported none exalted. Twenty-eight reported a decrease in membership and fifteen neither gain nor loss. The Committee on Grievance well scored a Chapter for violation of the laws and regulations of the Grand Chapter, and recommended that the High Priest be required to read the report at the first Convocation of the Chapter, which was, of course, adopted; but it might have been just as well if they had also required the entire Chapter to be summoned for the purpose of receiving the reprimand.

We were sorry to learn that Companion S. Stacker Williams was physically unable to be present, but it must have been pleasant for him to receive by wire the sympathy of the Grand Chapter in his grievous affliction, with the best wishes of Grand Chapter for his speedy recovery.

One hundred dollars was appropriated to be expended under the direction of the Grand Lodge Library Committee in binding Masonic pamphlets and works of value.

The Necrology Committee reported a suitable memorial to the late President of the United States.

In addition to the granting of the three Charters above mentioned, two others were also granted on the report of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations. One of them was a Chapter which had been working over a year U. D.; the other on the direct petition of nineteen Royal Arch Masons.

A standing committee of five on Ritual was appointed.
This migratory Grand Chapter decided that Lima would be the best place for it to meet in next time.

The annual report of the officers of the Ohio Masonic Home is grand reading, and a few items from it may interest those who like to know what other Jurisdictions are doing in the way of charity.

GENERAL FUND.

Receipts during the year	26,400.05 25,733.94
Excess of receipts over orders issued	666.11 2,713.31
LIBRARY FUND.	
Receipts to July 31, 1901	1,380.67 1,380.67

ENDOWMENT FUND.

Receipts to July 31, 1900	\$ 	994.00 8,482.60
Amount refunded		9,476.60 455.00
Amount on hand	\$	9,021.60 50.00
Total on hand in three above funds	\$	11,784.91
AMOUNTS CONTRIBUTED BY THE GRAND BO	DI	ES.
Grand Lodge Grand Chapter Grand Council Grand Commandery		93,755.91 44,172.25 3,000.00 14,000.00
Total	\$	154,928.16

IN THE HOME.

63 men, average age 72 years.

34 women, average age 70 years. 24 boys, average age 12 years.

24 girls, average age 11 years.

The Order of the Eastern Star propose erecting a memorial cottage at a cost of from \$2,500 to \$3,000, to be wholly done under the direction and control of the Board of Trustees of the Ohio Masonic Home. list of Christmas gifts from the Subordinate Chapters to the Home were received, the packages containing an endless variety of articles suitable for Christmas for adults as well as for the children, and produced a happy scene. And many friends also sent donations of money and other

A fine portrait of President McKinley, opposite to the memorial page dedicated to him, adds to the beauty of the volume.

And now, to come to the Correspondence Report by Companion Stacker S. Williams, occupying 213 pages. This year he has been content to criticise very little, but has quoted most liberally and altogether made a most interesting report. Colorado has two and one-half pages devoted to its Twenty-Sixth Annual. He notes what we said in regard to the manner of conferring degrees and making them impressive, and also our objection to urging . candidates to take degrees. But when we come to the conclusion of his report we are sad, for he says:

We are still battling with paralysis, and are only able to hobble around the room on two canes. Our eyes have now become affected, which makes the work very difficult. This will probably be the last report we shall write.

But still we hope not, for the Grand Chapter of Ohio would not drop him out on account of his infirmity, and he remains the Chairman of the Committee. Whether or not he will be able to do the work remains to be seen, but we sincerely hope he may improve, and that at the end of the report on 1902 will appear the name of Stacker S. Williams.

OREGON, 1902. 1

Forty-Second Annual.

A fine half tone portrait of M. E. Companion H. B. Thielsen, Grand High Priest, is presented as the opening page of the proceedings held June 9th in the City of Portland. The Grand Officers were all present to assist, and Representatives from twenty Chapters.

The address of the Grand High Priest is good reading. Only three times did he deem it expedient to set aside the law by Dispensation and permit the conferring of the Capitular Degrees, waiving statutory limitations. He was not called upon for a single decision. He granted one Dispensation for the formation of a Chapter. He thought it might be well to take more than one day for the Annual Convocation.

The statistics show twenty-five Chapters, with a membership of 1,628.

The Chapter U. D., not having had time to do the necessary work, had its Dispensation recommended for continuance.

The Grand Chapter of New Mexico received recognition and welcome.

The Jurisprudence Committee had nothing to report, and the Grievance Committee was in the same fix.

Portraits of five Past Grand High Priests, with biographical sketches, are contained within the volume.

The Correspondence Report is another by Companion J. M. Hodson and is check full of good things, some of which we will appropriate for the benefit of the Royal Craft of Colorado. Opening he says:

As the faithful sojourners of the olden time were presumed to observe and preserve those articles which presented the appearance of the curious or valuable, so we in our researches among the doings of the various Grand Royal Arch Jurisdictions have endeavored to bring to your notice the best specimens discovered. It is a time of "piping peace;" Grievance Committees are almost entirely out of a job, and they who best work and best agree are to the fore.

He doesn't quite agree with Companion Davies and myself concerning special legislation on the liquor question, but does say our arguments are the strongest possible. Still he thinks we are a little behind the procession, concluding:

The law making ineligible as material, heads off all trouble, even of considering the question.

As before stated, we have our views on the subject, but are making no effort to enforce them. We don't think the laws will do any special harm, and therefore, till the brethren get tired of the fad, let them have it.

The following, on lowering the price of degrees, is exactly what we believe:

Cheap degrees always breed cheap Masons.

On dependent membership he is very sound. Here is something he says, and who can deny it?

Dependent membership was never planned for the faithful brother, who stands ready to perform his duty, no matter how simple or menial, and it never caught one of that kind; it was and is for the purpose of making these cold-hearted, white-livered sneaks do their duty in money (that they would never do if they could help it), or get out of the Fraternity, from top to ground floor. Hence, when one of these stingy fellows realizes what it is going to cost him, he does not come our way; he contents himself with some cheap Order, and Masonry is the better off on account of his neglecting it. We have no tears to shed in sympathy with that kind.

Of Companion Ed. he says:

But, Companion Ed. C. Parmélee, who was our Representative. had passed the White Veil. Alas, my brother! He was one of Nature's noblemen, beloved by all who knew him.

On our remarks about church-going and a Commandery attending a Unitarian church, he said:

Well, that's good, too, and while we do not of right belong to either the Unitarian Church or a Jewish Synagogue, yet we have in our city a Unitarian minister and a Jewish Rabbi, either of whom could, and would, if opportunity offered, not only interest but instruct the best Commandery we ever belonged to or met with; so, while it is never to become a "burning question," we think, as we always have, that the attendance upon church services by a Lodge was publicly acknowledging our sympathy with and allegiance to the ethical forces that go to make up our civilization, and not necessarily an endorsement or repudiation of the particular creed professed by the preacher.

With regard to the ability of the ministers mentioned, and of numerous others of those denominations, we do not for one minute doubt, but that does not appear to us to be the question, if you go to church whether as a Lodge or individually, simply as a matter of form, or because society thinks it is the proper thing to do, then I say your church-going is of little value; it is hypocritical.

On candidates who fail to take the degrees after election to them and the disposition that should be made of the fees, he agrees with us:

The candidate has no right to claim anything but the degrees, but in all cases of the kind coming under our notice the fees have been returned, and two cases later on the candidate again appeared and the second time received the degrees.

On our advocacy of a probation period between Blue Lodge and Chapter, he says:

Our Grand Chapter simply requires that candidates be examined and their proficiency guaranteed before advancing, not only in the Master's Degree, but in each of the Chapter degrees. We have known a very few to advance within a month from the time of raising, and must admit that in each case they have proved intelligent working Masons all along the line. The dummies have been such as have spent years as Master Masons and learned but little. They seldom find out much in the Chapter; half of them do not know what they are there for.

The following we believe is true, and we consider that frequently it is the secretaries who are most to blame:

We have been of the opinion that negligence, pure and simple, lies at the basis of more than one-half of the N. P. D. difficulties, and it is certainly responsible for a very large share of recruits to the army of non-affiliates. Whilst we are very emphatic in objection to solicitation, the following does not appear out of place:

While we never believed in actively soliciting Master Masons to join the Chapter, yet when we have noticed an active, studious brother, we have never hesitated to inform him that the completion of his Masonic education by obtaining the remaining degrees would, we thought, be mutually gratifying, both to himself and his Masonic friends, but we never urged one to advance.

He is in favor of the resolutions giving concurrent Jurisdiction passed by Florida and Georgia. In fact, says:

We think a very proper thing to do.

He takes the position, which we did not, that a vote granting a dimit can be reconsidered at any time during the session of the Chapter taking such vote.

He is a believer in the General Grand Chapter Ritual, and does not endorse Ritual tinkering. In which position he can count on at least one friend to help him, if he will just telephone to Colorado.

We will add our voice to his on the following:

We wish Companion Wait and many others would quit the use of the word "Order" as applied to the Ancient Craft of Royal Arch Masonry. Knights Templar may properly be termed an order, but Masonry is a Fraternity.

And now we have quoted all we dare, as we must leave some space to chat with our friends from other Jurisdictions.

PENNSYLVANIA, 1901.

One Hundred and Sixth Year.

A view of Corinthian Hall, Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, greets the eye on opening these proceedings, followed by a portrait of M. E. Edward B. Spenner, Grand High Priest, who presided at the Quarterly and Annual Communications, and was re-elected to preside over the Royal Craft.

Forty-seven Chapters represented at the March Quarterly.

Forty-three Chapters represented at the June Quarterly.

Forty-three Chapters represented at the September

Quarterly.

Eighty-eight Chapters represented at the December

Quarterly.

Thirty-three Chapters represented at the December Annual.

Membership, December 27, 1900, 19,261.

One thousand dollars was appropriated for the use of the Masonic Home.

In his address at the Annual Communication, speaking of the peace and prosperity and harmony prevailing in the Jurisdiction, he said:

In the realm of Nature it is an admitted fact that silent internal forces are the most effective. Even the solid foundations of the earth are moved more by quiet upheavals than by convulsive shocks. So it is with Masonry. While only the routine work of each year comes under observation and criticism, there are activities, unseen and forceful, operating within the organizations, moulding their life and shaping their destinies.

The Grand Master issued edicts declaring work done by certain Chapters without fulfilling certain requirements null and void, and directed the names of the Neophytes to be stricken from the roll.

During the year the several degrees were exemplified in the Grand Chapter by members of the Temple School of Instruction.

The Report on Correspondence is the labor of all the members of the Committee, but this year its Chairman is changed, concerning which is the following:

The Committee has also lost its Chairman, Companion Henderson, and those who have been accustomed to read these reports will greatly miss his clear and able expositions of Masonic doctrine, jurisprudence and practice.

We regret that it is ill health that has caused the change, and most heartily endorse this:

We sincerely hope that his absence from the head of the Committee is but temporary, and that, with restored health, he may ere long be again found in his old place, wielding his pen with his accustomed grace and vigor.

This rebuke to Companion Mordhurst, of Indiana, was, we think, well deserved:

The Western Companion, therefore, who says that "Pennsylvania really makes one irritable," because the Committee on Correspondence are constantly telling "how things are done in Pennsylvania," makes a grave mistake in imagining that he is the sole audience to whom these reports are addressed. We believe, however, that this "irritable" Companion is an exception, and that there are many Companions outside of Pennsylvania who are interested to know "how things are done" in our Jurisdiction, as we are much interested to know "how things are done" in theirs. All persons cannot think alike, and we fully recognize the right of others to disagree with us, as we have the right to differ with them. But we must be allowed the privilege—and certainly should be allowed it without unkind criticism—of saying to our own Grand Chapter and its members, when it appears advisable to do so, why we think our own laws and usage relative to particular matters more desirable than those prevailing elsewhere. We shall, therefore, when occasion appears to require it, continue to refer to our own jurisprudence and practice, and if by reason of so doing any "irritable" Companion finds parts of our reports uninteresting or irritating, they can easily be skipped.

All of which is well said, for there are Companions who like to learn the practice in other Jurisdictions, and are aware all knowledge and wisdom is not confined to any one Jurisdiction or correspondent.

Colorado receives fraternal recognition. Commenting on the action of our Grand Chapter concerning public installations, they prefer P. G. H. P. Dean's decision, and say:

Is not this too great tenderness for prerogative in a young Jurisdiction?

We thought we had arrived at manhood and years of discretion, as we had passed our twenty-fifth year, and are a little sensitive at being called young; yet, of course, our flowing locks are young compared to the hoary ones of Pennsylvania which have passed the century mark by six years.

His question to this reviewer, "If its (public installation) propriety is not clear, why not prohibit it?" is easily answered. We are only one of some 125 members of the Grand Chapter, a large majority of whom are not of our opinion. On the Connecticut rule of Grand Officers waiting for an invitation to visit, the remarks were our own views:

It does seem to us that if a Grand High Priest thinks a Chapter ought to be visited, there should be no need to wait for an invitation.

The Illinois Jurisprudence Committee, among other things, having stated:

The Mason's financial duty is fully discharged when he has paid his dues; the Chapter acquits itself of all financial obligation to the Craft when it makes its annual return.

Companion Stockton Bates, of the committee, very pertinently says:

If this is so, what has become of the lesson taught in the Mark degree? Has the Mark no meaning? Shall the soliciting brother or the imploring widow be turned away with the words, "I have paid my dues, and this is the sum of my financial duty?" Such is not Freemasonry as taught in the State of Pennsylvania.

Elsewhere we find Pennsylvania law permits the withdrawal of a petition after favorable report, an interesting custom, as different from most, if not all, other Jurisdictions.

Companion James H. Codding takes exception, and correctly, to the statement of Companion Fred Speed, of Mississippi, that the Ritual of the General Grand Chapter is the only lawful work in the United States, as Pennsylvania believes it is still in the Union, has a lawful Grand Chapter, and has a different work.

Whilst some Jurisdictions and the General Grand Chapter has ruled that, in the absence of the three principal Officers, the Chapter may be opened by the Junior High Priest present, in Pennsylvania, at his installation the High Priest is informed that in his absence and that of his King and Scribe, the Chapter cannot be opened, nor any work done, except by some one specially authorized by the Grand High Priest.

QUEBEC, 1902.

Twenty-Fifth Annual.

The City of Montreal was the scene of the gathering of the Royal Arch Masons on January 28th. Grand First Principal Z. George O. Stanton presided, and Representatives from ten Chapters were present.

The Grand Z. in part said:

Let us, therefore, offer up our heartfelt thanks to Almighty God for His guidance in the past, for nourishing us in our growth, and pray that He will sustain us in our present and future efforts to advance the interests of the Royal Craft in this Jurisdiction. Let us humbly thank Him for His protection and the many blessings He has vouchsafed to us, imploring Him to guide us aright now and always, so that we may be enabled to show forth His glory and render ourselves useful to mankind.

He alluded in a loyal way to the royal visit to Canada during the year. Among those to whom heartfelt sympathy is expressed is Colorado, in its loss of Grand Secretary Parmelee, and special mention is also made of the late President of the United States.

He did a good amount of visiting, with pleasure to himself and advantage to the Craft.

The usual number of Dispensations he found advisable to grant.

Of the Craft at home he said:

It is with much satisfaction that I am able to report that harmony and fraternal feeling continues to prevail throughout our Jurisdiction. I have not had any appeals made to me, nor have any decisions been asked for.

The Superintendents of Districts severally made report from which it appears that on the whole Royal Arch Masonry is flourishing in the Jurisdiction.

The Grand Scribe Z. says:

The returns show ten Chapters on the roll (with a membership of 644), all of whom have made returns and settled their indebtedness.

Net increase, 54.

The Benevolent Fund has on deposit \$1,209.94.

The Special Committee on Ritual reported progress, and expected to be able to lay before Grand Chapter at the next session the final result of their labors.

The date of Annual Convocation is changed to the fourth Tuesday in March, and the next one is to be held in Quebec.

The principal Officers were all re-elected. Companion E. T. D. Chambers is the author of the Correspondence Report, in which Colorado receives fraternal mention.

RHODE ISLAND, 1901.

One Hundred and Third Annual.

The proceedings of March 12th are embellished with a portrait of M. E. Companion Horace S. Richardson, Grand High Priest, who presided, Representatives from all ten Chapters being in attendance. The Grand High Priest's address was brief and is entirely a business document, in which there is nothing of special interest outside the Jurisdiction. The Deputy Grand High Priest, King and Scribe made short reports of their visitations.

The Grand Secretary's report is about the shortest report of that kind made in any Jurisdiction. It contains but ten lines and states that he received \$771.85, all of which he paid to the Treasurer.

The returns of Chapters show the membership to be 2,728.

The Most Excellent Master's Degree was exemplified and five received it. From the vote of thanks tendered the Companions who did the work, it appears to have been done in an excellent and impressive manner.

Companion H. W. Rugg prepared the feast from Sister Jurisdictions. This time he deviates from his usual custom, and no longer makes it topical. He gives Colorado a very fraternal review. The refusal by Grand High Priest Dean to grant a Dispensation for a public installation caught his eye, and brought forth this:

Public installations do not seem to the present writer to be quite in accord with the character of the Masonic Institution. They are of doubtful expediency. But the publicity proposed in the request for a Dispensation, which Grand High Priest Dean refused to grant, was so limited in its nature as to be suggestive of no harm.

He approved our remarks on temperance legislation and quoted them, and also concurred in our criticism of the too common practice of urging brethren to apply for admission to the Chapter immediately after becoming Master Masons, and thought that also worthy of quotation.

On the question of physical qualification he places

himself on record thus:

The mere accidental loss of a limb should not debar a Mason from advancement, if by the substitution of artificial means he can conform to the ceremonies.

And this is a very sensible way of looking at the charity question:

Masonic Homes fill an important place in the administration of desired benevolences, but they ought not to be regarded as covering the whole ground of a Craftsman's duty in the way of sympathy and service. There is an unduc tendency, at least in some localities, to do everything through organizations, and to repress personal activities in the way of fraternal helpfulness. Institutions are valuable, institutional work is most effective; but nothing can properly take the place of that individual service of which we are so often reminded in the teachings of Freemasonry.

SOUTH CAROLINA, 1901.

Ninetieth Annual.

The proceedings of this session, which was held February 12, 1901, were presided over by M. E. Companion John R. Bellinger, Grand High Priest. At it there were Representatives from sixteen Subordinate Chapters. In his address he notices the death of our Grand Sentinel, Companion Thomas Linton. He also states that Companion William L. Bush, the Grand Representative near this Grand Chapter, had sent fraternal greetings from this Jurisdiction. He authorized the formation of a Chapter U. D.

Grand Secretary's report shows the membership to be 701.

The Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported nothing brought before it for consideration.

Legislation concerning Grand Representatives was enacted and henceforward these officials continue in office at the pleasure of the Grand High Priest, subject to the provision that their commissions be revoked whenever they fail to attend two consecutive Annual Convocations of their respective Grand Chapters, except for cause satisfactory to the Grand High Priest of South Carolina.

The next Annual was set for February 11, 1902, in

Charleston.

Companion J. T. Barron submitted the Correspondence Report, and as usual there is much of interest in it for the Companions of South Carolina.

Now, we don't agree with the following, but still we like to tell what others think, even though opposed to our way of thinking:

He (Companion Bennett of Canada) is an advocate of six months' breathing spell after taking the Master's degree. Our belief is that it frequently cools, if it doesn't kill, Masonic enthusiasm, and we do love an enthusiastic work.

So do we, but if six months' probation kills the enthusiasm, it must have had a poor root, and all gone to leaf, and, like the plant, it is worthless and soon withers away. It is better gone; it would never bear fruit.

But we are glad to see that, under Colorado, we can agree, for he quotes what we said on the subject of the liquor traffic as good, and says:

The only decision (Grand Chapter of Colorado) was that a Chapter cannot confer the degrees upon one engaged in the liquor business. As we have before said, the ballot, and not the business, should determine the fitness of candidates.

Our name seems to cause lots of trouble, and poor Companion Barron has made a terrible stumble at it. We are usually very earnest in what we do, but "Ernest" is the way we spell our name, and then we don't know how on earth he made "Le Neve" into "Levene," but probably it was the printer's fault, so he is forgiven, with the advice not to sin again.

He is right when he says:

But this Grand High Priest (North Dakota) is greatly mistaken when he says that the use of substitutes tends to "annul principles which are deeply implanted in the hearts of all Royal Arch Masons."

He upholds the South Carolina practice of granting Representatives of Chapters U. D. all privileges of Grand Chapter, on the simple ground of justice.

SOUTH DAKOTA, 1902.

These proceedings, which were held June 12 at the City of Huron, are embellished with the portraits of William McKinley, President of the United States; Theodore S. Parvin, Grand Secretary of Iowa, and M. E. Companion Samuel J. Moore, who presided, and after satisfying himself that a constitutional number of Chapters were represented, opened Grand Chapter in Ample Form, assisted by all the Grand Officers, except Grand Master of the Second Veil, there being twenty-three Constituent Chapters represented.

The Grand High Priest's necrology report mentions our "Ed." as among those mourned for. Concluding he said:

Companions, I am unable to command language to fittingly eulogize this list of honored dead. "If silence ever be golden," it must be in the silent contemplation of the amiable and virtuous character of these honored Companions, "whose lives were more significant than speech."

Our duty would be very incompletely done if we contented ourselves by merely chanting hozannas to those who in the past have given so much of their lives to aid in building up our grand Institution, unless we can catch some inspiration to further duty from the contemplation of their efforts.

Let us emulate their amiable and virtuous conduct and unfeigned piety to God. So with a firm reliance in Divine Providence, when the summons shall come to us, we can gain ready admission into the Grand Chapter above, where the Supreme Grand High Priest of the Universe presides.

By proxy he instituted the Chapter chartered at the previous Convocation, and he granted one Dispensation for a new Chapter, which, having done good work, was rewarded with a Charter.

He was pleased to report that no Dispensations had been called for to ballot on candidates or confer degrees out of time.

He tried to save the lives of two Chapters, and succeeded in one instance; the other ended its life and surrendered its Charter and property to the Grand Secretary.

The Grand Lecturer reported that he had visited thirteen Chapters and instructed the Companions in the Ritualistic work.

The Grand Secretary reported the membership to be 1.723.

Companion P. G. H. P. Louis G. Levoy once more greets us with a review of forty-nine Grand Chapters.

On wholesale granting of Dispensations, under Alabama, he says:

The Most Excellent went his predecesor several better in this particular, having, according to his address, granted no less than thirty Dispensations not even stipulating the name of the candidates, but reading "to receive and ballot upon the petitions of several brethren." Without counting these (as we could not) 101 brethren were passed along in a hurry without the usual scrutiny. Well, they do things peculiarly in Alabama.

He remembers Colorado kindly, devoting two pages to our 1901 proceedings.

On the effect of striking from the roll is the following:

It seems to the writer that striking from the roll is equal to a suspension of membership; the Companion could certainly not be in good standing in his Lodge when his name is stricken from the roll, hence his Chapter membership must be effected if Grand Chapter believes that good standing in the Lodge is necessary to maintain membership in the Chapter, and if such is not the doctrine of this Grand Chapter (Minnesota) it should be amended to that effect, for the Western Jurisdictions almost wholly declare this doctrine to be true and just and their law on the subject.

TENNESSEE, 1902.

Seventy-Third Annual.

On January 27th M. E. William S. Findlay, Grand High Priest, opened Grand Chapter with a full complement of Subordinate Officers filling their respective stations, and sixty-one Chapters represented.

His address tells that he issued a number of Dispensations; that he had visited with profit and pleasure to himself, a great many Chapters. He announced the passing away of many Craftsmen from Sister Jurisdictions, among whom our Ed. was not forgotten. He advised the Grand Chapter to aid the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home, and later on in the proceedings his advice was taken and \$300 donated.

He advised a study of Masonic literature, making the very true remark:

An acquaintance with the esoteric work alone does not make a bright Mason. A knowledge of its principles and history is necessary to merit so distinguisred an appelation.

The following resolution, which was adopted, is, to our mind, of doubtful expediency. We are of the opinion that it is better to draw the line closely:

Resolved, That this Grand Chapter freely concedes to Chapters in States adjoining ours the privilege of receiving petitions, and conferring the Chapter degrees upon the citizens of Tennessee, whose residence shall be nearer to such Chapters than to any Chapter in Tennessee; provided such Chapters are chartered by a Grand Chapter with which we are in correspondence. Provided, also, that the same privileges are extended to the Chapters of this State by said Jurisdiction.

Three separate memorial addresses were made to the memory of the illustrious dead of the Jurisdiction.

A request by a Chapter U. D. for a Charter was granted.

An attempt to drop from the roll members in arrears for dues for three years was squelched by the Jurisprudence Committee, which found a By-Law covering the ground, and specifically preventing such action.

Chapter No. 144, on payment of arrearages, was

restored.

The per capita tax was retained at 60 cents. The

Royal Arch Degree was exemplified.

The Report on Correspondence was edited by Companion H. H. Ingersoll, but not in his usual style, for this year the plan is changed and all routine matter is omitted. However, the report is up to the standard, and very interesting, and in it Colorado has fair mention.

He defends their constitutional provision against Companion Schultz, of Maryland, that "a voluntary Blue Lodge non-affiliate for six months loses his membership

in the Chapter," adding:

This is now the vogue, and no Mason is allowed to kick down the scaffolding by which he rises to Masonic heights.

And as far as our opinion is of any value we stand on the same grounds. A building with the foundation torn out will surely fall. He takes North Dakota to task on account of both the Grand High Priest's address and the Report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead, omitting mention of the Grand High Priest of all, or of the immortal life to come.

We thought it an unintentional omission.

On the excuse of the General Lecturer of Vermont for not publishing a Ritual, he remarks:

Pray God it may never be! May the unforseen delay continue and multiply and magnify, so that the publication of the Ritual of Royal Arch Masonry by an officer of a Grand Chapter shall be postponed until the crack of doom!

Good remarks, but how about a General Grand Chapter's action some years ago? Things can't be made worse.

TEXAS, 1901.

Fifty-Second Annual.

Companion James D. Crenshaw, M. E. Grand High Priest, opened the Grand Chapter in Ample Form in the City of Houston, December 3, all Grand Officers except Grand Royal Arch Captain being in their several stations, and Representatives from 116 Chapters present.

The address of the Grand High Priest is full of interest to the Craft. The fraternal dead, the storm sufferers, his official work, including Dispensations to three new Chapters, a number of decisions, several recommendations and an admonition, make up its sum total. Considering the Constitution in many respects deficient, he recommended remedial legislation. He thus admonished the Craft:

In the ages that are gone, when a chosen people were traveling through a wilderness to that happy land promised their forefathers, when Mount Sinai was bathed in the brightness of God's glory, He with His own hands, wrote, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain."

When the Neophyte first crosses the threshold of Masonry, he is taught to obey that law in never mentioning God's name but with that reverential awe that is due from a creature to a Creator. Again when he enters the "middle chamber," he is reminded of this law.

When he stands upon the platform of Symbolic Masonry in the Master's degree, he there learns that "the All-Seeing Eye" pervades the inmost recesses of the human heart, and will reward according to our merits. Finally when he passes under the living arch, through the white veil, and into the secret vault, he has learned, or he should have learned, that reverence which is due to God and for the things that are sacred and holy. And yet how often our hearts are saddened by words with which Companions pollute their lips.

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It is not the profanity of the vulgar against which I would warn you, for a gentleman would scarcely indulge in such practices. But it is the use of God's name, and the things that are sacred and holy, in jest and in ridicule, against which I could warn you. Do ye not know that Christ himself said, "For every idle word that man shall speak he shall give an account in the day of judgment?"

It is becoming more and more the custom among men to wear upon the lapel of their coats a button—picture of some friend or of

some loved one.

Would we wear there such a picture of our dear old mother when we enter saloons and such like places? If we should be so bold, and some one should speak of the picture, would we straighten up in manly pride and say, "It is a picture of my mother?" Should they also ask, "Does she teach you to visit such places? Is she pleased at your exhibition of her here?" Would we in like manner answer. "Yes?" Nay, rather would not the red blood of shame overspread our cheeks and we be compelled to hang our heads in humiliation?

Does Masonry teach us to visit such places?

Is she pleased at our exhibition of her emblems in such resorts? Companions, if we must visit such places, let us not disgrace our high calling by wearing there the emblems of the Royal Craft.

The Grand Visitors of the Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Seventh Districts made report.

The Grand Secretary's Report shows membership of 8,416, of which number 733 are Past High Priests.

The Jurisprudence Committee reported the following resolution which had been offered as being unconstitutional in its second paragraph, and Grand Chapter adopted the report:

The High Priest, King and Scribe, each, if present, shall cast one vote. If only one of these officers are present, either in person or by proxy, he shall be entitled to cast three votes. If two of these officers are present, the highest officer present shall cast two votes and the other one vote; and either of these officers may appoint a proxy to cast his vote.

Seven Chapters, having failed to meet for three months, forfeited their Charters, but having made returns and paid dues, they were restored by resolution.

The Grand Chapter of New Mexico was recognized.

Two Charters were granted on petition and three tothe Chapters which had worked U. D. The Correspondence Report is the eighth prepared by Companion John L. Terrell.

Under "California," he replied to Companion Davies, who said the Texas decision that an elected officer could not resign was "neither good law nor good Masonic sense" was the only way he could lawfully decide, and that had he done otherwise the Grand Chapter would have refused to approve his decision. Colorado receives due attention, and Grand High Priest Dean's refusal of Dispensation comes in for comment thus:

This action is in striking contrast to that of our Past Grand-High Priest Kidd, who mourned because there were not other Chapters seeking Dispensations to install before all the world. Who can say that such installations injure Royal Arch Masonry? Might they not, on the contrary, serve as a potent teacher of some of the chief principles of our glorious institution, one, for instance, that the Book of the Law is the Great Light in every Degree of Masonry?

Our position on liquor law legislation has been elsewhere given, and Texas goes on that plan, for he says:

A decision of the Grand High Priest (of Colorado) informs us that a law of the Grand Chapter prevents the conferring of the Capitular Degrees upon a brother who is engaged in the "saloon business." The black ball in Texas has the same effect.

Well, here's another jumping on us for not signing our report. Is it the printer's fault, our own stupidity, the reader's blindness, or what? We certainly have never failed to sign it, and have always seen our name in large print at the end. It therefore looks very much as though the reader had closed the report before he got to the end and jumped at the conclusion that it was not signed. Look again, Companion Terrell; you won't need a magnifying glass.

Yes, Companion Terrell, we would give a peg-leg brother the advantage of the Royal Arch Degree, if he will exchange it for a good cork one, which will enable him to conform to the ceremonies, which he cannot do as long as it is a peg-leg.

Finally he makes a foot note, sympathizing with us in the loss of our Grand Secretary.

He says Amen to Companion Lambdin's (Georgia) belief that there should be one Ritual in the United States.

We wonder whether he would say that, to the Ritual of the General Grand Chapter, which is becoming more and more popular among the Chapters of its allegiance.

He thinks the appropriation of only \$50 by the Grand Chapter of Michigan to compensate its Committee on Correspondence is a sad commentary on the intelligence of the Royal Craft of that Jurisdiction.

VIRGINIA, 1901.

Ninety-Fourth Annual.

The first day of the Grand Annual Convocation was November 12, and the Royal Craft convened in the Masonic Temple in the City of Richmond. The Grand Officers were all present, and M. E. James Edward Alexander, Grand High Priest, presided, opening Grand Chapter in Ample Form, with the Representatives from thirty-one Constituent Chapters present. The address of the Grand High Priest states:

The attention of the Grand Chapter is invited to the report of the Grand Lecturer, which will show a continuously busy year. A great deal of work has been done gratuitously, the value of which, when prompted by the spirit which leads to its performance, cannot be estimated commercially. To this officer more than to any other is the Grand Chapter indebted for the interest manifested in Royal Arch Masonry throughout the Jurisdiction.

A question arising in one of the Chapters, whether the High Priest was right in ruling out of order a motion requesting the High Priest not to have intoxicating liquors at any banquet, it was decided that he was, as Section 126 of the Digest provides that "The High Priest of a Chapter shall direct and control the order of business in

his Chapter."

We will quote all he says about the Masonic Home, as we consider it good food for thought:

What shall be said of it? There should be no need of an advocate. It stands in the midst of this Grand Jurisdiction and pleads its own cause on its own merits. By it we have invited the attention of the profane to our profession of brotherly love and relief, and have also furnished them with a commentary upon our practice of these tenets. Profession is the inert body of clay, with form and features, and robed in the "purple and fine linen" of speech. Practice is the living, active, helpful man, whom God intended each of us to be. The most eloquent oratory, clothed in the most pathetic language and uttered with a sob of sadness in every syllable, will not warm a single

room in the Home; dissertations upon benevolence will not furnish a meal for or clothe the children whom the Masonic Fraternity has gathered within its walls, and criticism of its management will not relieve one of us of our personal duty and responsibility. This Grand Chapter, as an organization, has no resources with which to respond to the plea, but there are three thousand Royal Arch Masons of allegiance to the Grand Chapter of Virginia who could add \$3,000 annually to enlarge the scope and increase the efficiency of the Home from money, which, in their thoughtful moments, they are conscious of having squandered. That which enables us to make our homes courfortable, feed and clothe our children, and educate and qualify them for life which lies before them, will do a similar service for the children in the Home—nothing else will do it. Companions, think on these things and act as brotherhood, duty and obligation demand.

The Grand Secretary's statistics show the membership to be 3,216.

The Finance Committee congratulated the Grand Chapter on its financial condition and that for the first time in its history it owns its own paraphernalia.

The Grand Lecturer in his report says:

To sum up this work in a few words, I have exalted, or assisted in exalting 102 candidates, and conferred the Subordinate Degrees on fourteen others whom I was unable or preferred not to finish up, leaving them for the Chapters to practice on.

As the Grand Lecturer was elected Grand High Priest, the following resolution was introduced and adopted:

That M. E. W. J. Hubbard, Grand High Priest, be requested to waive his prerogative of appointment and consent to serve this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year in the office of Grand Lecturer.

On the serving of intoxicating liquors the Committee on High Priest's Address said:

Recognizing the rights of the High Priests to order and serve such refreshments as they may desire, it is the opinion of this Committee that the use of intoxicating liquors at any of our banquets is prejudicial to the best interests of our noble institution, and we recommend that their use be discontinued.

Four Charters were granted.

The Report on Correspondence is written by Companion Charles A. Nesbitt. We find nothing to specially comment on, as it is made up largely of quotations from addresses of Grand High Priests, Grand Lecturers, Presidents of Councils of Anointed High Priests, and extracts from correspondence reports.

He agrees with us on what we said concerning legislation on the temperance question and on conferring degrees.

He answers our query about Grand Representatives by saying:

Yes, Companion Foster, Virginia allows a Companion to represent three Chapters (no more).

WASHINGTON, 1902.

Eighteenth Annual.

An excellent portrait of the Grand High Priest, Companion Andrew Nilsson, is what is found on opening the proceedings of the Convocation, held in the City of Tacoma, June 6. On roll call twenty-three Chapters were found to be represented.

From his address we quote:

When we first enter the portals of Masonry we are taught to invoke the blessings of God before undertaking any great and important work; so today, before we begin to discharge the duties for which we have met together, let us return thanks and praises to the great "I AM" for His mercies and protection during the year that is past, and implore His benediction to rest upon us in time to come.

He instituted four Chapters by proxy, granted four Dispensations to use a substitute, one to confer three degrees at the same Convocation. He refused one to receive and ballot upon the petition of a brother resident in British territory. He refused a Dispensation to act once on the petition of a naval officer because the request also included others whose names were not given. He also refused a Dispensation to ballot on one who had not resided the requisite time in the Jurisdiction, as being beyond the prerogative of the Grand High Priest. He did not make many visitations.

The Grand Orator made a very interesting address.

The Jurisprudence Committee recommended that the General Grand Chapter be requested to grant a blanket Dispensation to confer the degrees upon residents of Alaska residing within such portions of Alaska as are under the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter.

They also recommended the rescinding of the concurrent Jurisdiction resolution giving concurrent Jurisdiction to Spokane and Sprague Chapters, and these recommendations were adopted.

The Report on Correspondence is the work of Companion Yancey C. Blalock, who reviews forty-nine Grand Chapters in ninety-four pages, though he was supposed to be limited to sixty pages. His review consists of a concise synopsis about as follows: The number of the Annual, the place of meeting, number of present and Past Grand Officers and representatives of Subordinate Chapters present at the Annual, the receipts, expenditures and balance on hand, the changes in membership and present number of members, the decisions, the number of pages in the Correspondence Report and by whom it was edited; also when the next Annual will occur, and the names of the Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary.

WEST VIRGINIA, 1901.

Thirty-First Annual.

Held in the City of Huntington, November 12, M. E. John M. McConihay, Grand High Priest. Twenty-five out of twenty-seven Subordinate Chapters represented. The Grand High Priest in his address notices the death of our Grand Secretary. He was asked many questions, but the law was so plain that decisions were not found necessary. He is opposed to haste in conferring degrees, and says:

In my opinion a candidate should receive no more than two degrees at one and the same meeting, and should be required to pass a satisfactory examination as to his proficiency in those two before being advanced.

The Grand Representatives for such Jurisdictions as were present were called to the floor and received with Grand Honors and fraternally welcomed. Colorado's was not among the number.

A grievance of one Chapter against another for invasion of Jurisdiction was settled by having the offending Chapter tender the fees to the offended, as it was considered an unintentional fraud. The returns place the membership at 2,263.

Owing to illness of Companion Hugh Sterling, the Correspondence Report was not presented, but \$200 was ordered paid for it and the Grand Secretary instructed to have it printed. The report covers forty pages, and includes a review of twenty-six Chapters. This we find by a note at the end by the Grand Secretary was due to the death of Companion Sterling, the chairman of the committee.

He objects to free use of Dispensations for conferring the degrees without the necessary time elapsing between receiving the petition and balloting upon it.

He was certainly right in his position on deprivation of right to vote on account of being in arrears for dues, for he says:

We hold that a member is in good standing until such time as he is suspended or expelled for causes stipulated in the Code as Masonic offenses, and non-payment of dues is one of them. Is it not possible that a Companion may not be able to pay dues, no matter how much he desires to do so, and because of his inability is he not to be allowed to vote or hold office? Why not deprive him of membership altogether, for it seems to us that one is just as consistent as the other?

He heartily endorsed the Colorado decision that one engaged in the saloon business could not have the degrees conferred on him.

He believes in substitutes and can see no reason for the law in the District of Columbia prohibiting them, and gives good reasons why they should be permitted.

To the decision in Louisiana that an installed officer cannot be granted a dimit, he gives his hearty endorsement.

WISCONSIN, 1902.

Fifty-Second Annual.

This was held at Milwaukee, February 18th and 19th, and Grand Chapter was opened in Ample Form with M. E. Companion Wm. B. Andrews, Grand High Priest, presiding. His portrait finds a place opposite the title page. He was assisted by all the Grand Officers and Representatives

from Constituent Chapters. His address commences with a record of those passed to the Eternal Kingdom, and first he eulogizes the memory of the beloved President William McKinley, then those of his own Jurisdiction, following it by those of Sister Jurisdictions. He issued a number of commissions to Grand Representatives. Granted but one Dispensation to confer degrees out of time, it being in the case of one commissioned to go to the Philippines. One Dispensation to form a new Chapter. He made a number of decisions, which will be found in our Digest. He constituted a new Chapter by proxy. During the year he issued a circular letter asking certain questions, to which he received replies from most Chapters. He made some recommendations and altogether an excellent address.

The trustees reported the assets of Grand Chapter as follows:

Balance in hands of Grand Treasurer \$	751.77	7
Balance in hands of Grand Secretary	4.40)
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The Committee on Charity advised the payment of \$248 to Bethany Commandery No. 29, Creston, Iowa, in liquidation of bill in connection with care and death of Grand Chaplain, Joseph Moran, Jr. They also advised appropriation of \$50 to the widow of a P. G. High Priest, which advice was followed.

With a few changes in the proposed By-Laws, a Char-

ter was granted to Evergreen Chapter.

Past Grand High Priest Swain was absent for the first time in thirty-five years, caused by the death of one of his daughters, and therefore resolutions of condolence were passed and a committee of six appointed to attend the funeral that afternoon. Though very late now, we add our sympathy to that of the Grand Chapter.

The Special Committee on Jurisprudence reported that a resolution to make a new office of Custodian of the Work would be in violation of the Constitution, as that instrument placed a limit upon the number and nomencla-

ture of the officers of the Grand Chapter.

Membership, 6,475.

Companion P. G. H. Priest W. C. Swain's nineteenth Report on Correspondence was presented. His first report was therefore made the following year to our first, but he has been continuously in the harness, whereas we jumped four years, so that this is only our sixteenth report.

We believe in the following:

We are not criticising Alabama clergymen as a class, but only those who claim pecuniary favors on account of their calling. The trend of modern thought and practice is against special classes of citizens, and clergymen must take their stand in the community like the rest of us, to stand or fall on their own merits.

Under Colorado he says regarding one of Companion Roe's decisions:

While it is right and proper for a Companion to visit a Chapter in advance of his application for affiliation, that he may become acquainted, it seems very singular to make a law requiring him to do so. It savors of the erroneous tendency now prevalent of too much unnecessary legislation. Again, as a non-affiliate, while he may be allowed, he cannot claim any right to visit. Also, by the Pacific slope idea, if he has been a non-affiliate for six months he is in position of a suspended Mason, and, of course, cannot visit.

He makes special mention of the appointment of our Committee on Resolutions on death of President McKinley on the day of his funeral, and added: "After adopting them Grand Chapter adjourned to attend the public memorial exercises at the State Capitol." The latter is not exactly right, for it might be understood that we adjourned to attend the memorial services as a Grand Chapter, which was not the case. We adjourned to give the individuals opportunity to attend. We made no public parade as Masons on that occasion.

He falls in with our view of it being improper to instruct a Companion to cast the vote of Grand Chapter for any individual, but adds:

But, all the same, when the motion is made in behalf of any individual whom we favor, and to whom it is a foregone conclusion there will be no opposition, we are too bashful and timid to say a word, and do not wish to be considered a kicker, and just sit still.

We don't; we kick, and stick out for the principle involved.

Quoting what we said on independent membership, he asks the question:

Are those Masons of whom he speaks of any use to the Lodge further than the pittance of dues they pay? And if it is merely for the sake of dues that they are kept, why cut off the pittance they pay the Chapter, because the Lodge doesn't get anything.

Our answer is emphatically, No. They are of no use anywhere and ought never to have been made Masons; but having made use of it for their own selfish purposes, make them pay every cent you can to support the fraternity in every branch for the benefits they are deriving. If all who had received the Masonic degrees had been "made Masons," there probably would be no necessity for a great many laws we make; but, unfortunately, some simply pass through the forms and ceremonies without the meaning reaching their hearts, and they become worthless branches.

On legislation concerning the liquor question, answering Companion Drummond, he takes the same stand that we have done, that legislation is not proper, as it opens the door to the almost impossibility of defining where to draw the line. In our own Grand Lodge we think they went to the extreme when they prohibited even a stockholder in a brewery from receiving the degrees; but thus far have they stretched the meaning of the law here. He concluded by saying:

We boldly take the stand that whiskey in itself is a good and useful servant to man; therefore, it is right to sell it. But, like dynamite and like poisons, it is a dangerous servant, therefore the sale should be regulated. That is why we say, leave the matter to the Subordinates. We can trust them to keep out the keeper of a brothel; cannot we equally trust them to keep out the saloon keeper whom we would bar?

To the sarcastic remarks of the Grand High Priest of Michigan concerning the use of the General Grand Chapter, he replies:

Rather a sweeping judgment from a very small amount of information. It is true comparatively little business was done at Cincinnati, for the very good reason that on this occasion there was very little to do. But what did come up it was necessary to have done; and if he will look through the proceedings he will find that while possibly Michigan was not interested, some other Jurisdictions were.

And on the same subject, replying to Companion Hodson of Oregon:

He (Hodson) considers the Michigan Grand High Priest understands Royal Arch Masonry and its workings, because he holds the world's record and made 246 Royal Arch Masons in two years. We consider that a very doubtful record, and one which needs explanation. It does not seem credible that a Chapter could take in that number in that length of time without "hustling" and solicitation, or that it could adequately investigate the character of its applicants.

DIGEST OF DECISIONS OF THE JURISDIC-TIONS REVIEWED.

BALLOT.

A second ballot cannot be taken on a petition for membership, but a new petition may be presented at any time.—Pennsylvania, 1901.

Balloting for degrees can be taken only at Stated Convocations.

—Texas, 1901.

CHAPTERS (CHARTERED AND U. D.)

A Chapter should on all occasions be opened on the Royal Arch Degree, and, if necessary, be called off for the purpose of opening on any other degrees.—Connecticut, 1902.

An officer of a Subordinate Chapter cannot be a petitioner for a Chapter U. D.—Georgia, 1902.

A Chapter U. D. can ask for waiver of jurisdiction over material from a regular Chartered Chapter.—Georgia, 1902.

When a Chapter forfeits its Charter, the Charter and all property owned by the Chapter becomes the property of the Grand Chapter.—Georgia, 1902.

The signers of a petition for a new Chapter may be members of any Chapter or Chapters in the State, and need not reside in the place where the new Chapter is to be organized.—Georgia, 1902.

A Chapter cannot have two places of meeting, but the room may be used in connection with present quarters for ceremonial and social purposes.—Illinois, 1901.

A Chapter working U. D. has only such powers as are given by its warrant. The warrant clearly implies that it may receive and act upon a petition for membership.—Michigan, 1902.

To open a Mark Master, Past Master or Most Excellent Master Lodge, the Chapter must first be opened in the Royal Arch Degree, labor dispensed with, and the dependent lodge opened. When work of the dependent lodge is accomplished it should be closed and the Chapter resume labor and be closed in form.—North Carolina, 1902.

Chapters under Dispensation must pay grand dues and assessments on all members not exalted therein or members of consenting Chapters.—Ohio, 1901.

The Grand High Priest has no authority to grant a Chapter permission to move to a place not within the limits prescribed by its Charter.—Texas, 1901.

In the absence of the H. P., K. and S., a Chapter can be opened according to Section 42 of the Constitution of the General Grand Chapter.—Wisconsin, 1902.

CHARTER.

The destruction of a Charter does not in any manner affect the integrity of the Chapter.—Illinois, 1901.

DIMIT.

When a Companion clear of the books calls for his Dimit, the ballot must be spread. If the application is rejected charges must be preferred against the applicant at the next regular Convocation, and if the charges are not preferred the High Priest must order the Dimit without further action of the Chapter.—Georgia, 1902.

A Companion dimitted from his Lodge must make an effort within twelve months to affiliate with some symbolic Lodge, or he cannot retain membership in his Chapter.—Georgia, 1902.

If the granting of a Dispensation changes the territorial Jurisdiction of a member, he can take advantage of the constitutional provision which permits him to ask for a dimit, by reason of his removal from his old Jurisdiction, and with his dimit accompanying his petition, may apply to the Chapter nearest to his residence, or to any other Chapter that will receive him.—Michigan, 1902.

A dimitted member of a Chapter must regularly petition it and be re-elected to membership before he becomes eligible to office.—Missouri, 1902.

A Companion who remains non-affiliated voluntarily is not entitled to Masonic relief.—Texas, 1901.

A Companion who has been suspended by his Lodge, and such suspension is set aside and he is restored to all the rights and privileges of Masonry by the Grand Lodge, but he is not restored to membership in the Lodge, occupies the position of a dimitted Mason and member of his Chapter.—Texas, 1901.

ELECTION.

An election held in the absence of the High Priest, the King being present, is regular and legal.—Georgia, 1902.

The election of a member to office who had dimitted is void.—Missouri, 1902.

A void election leaves the former incumbent in office.—Missouri, 1902.

No Dispensation is necessary to hold special election of officers except for the High Priest, King or Scribe.—Wisconsin, 1902.

HIGH PRIEST.

Dispensations granted by a Grand High Priest expire with his term of office.—Georgia, 1902.

A Companion, even though dimitted from his Blue Lodge, if a member of a Chapter, is eligible for the office of High Priest, provided he has not remained an unaffiliated Master Mason for a longer period than one year of his own free will and accord.—Indian Territory, 1902.

To be elected High Priest of a Subordinate Chapter no qualifications are necessary, except that of being a member in good standing of said Chapter.—Kansas, 1902.

The Grand High Priest has no authority to decide hypothetical questions.—Texas, 1901.

INSTALLATION.

The officers of a Chapter must be installed by a High Priest or Past High Priest.—Georgia, 1902.

The High Priest of a Chapter as such has no authority in ceremonies of installation of a Master of a Lodge.—New Hampshire, 1901.

An installation where only eight members were present is not legal.—Tennessee, 1902.

JURISDICTION.

A temporary removal of one permanently residing in the Jurisdiction of a Chapter does not interfere with his right to petition.—Illinois, 1901.

An elected candidate failing to take the degrees in the required time, and removing to another Jurisdiction, must petition the Chapter nearest his present abode.—Michigan, 1902.

On the granting of a Dispensation for a new Chapter, the territorial jurisdictions of contiguous Chapters are immediately changed as fully and effectually as if a Charter had been granted it by the Grand Chapter.—Michigan, 1902.

The members of a defunct Chapter, as well as those who have received only a portion of the Capitular Degrees, are under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter.—Michigan, 1902.

We have no claim on a brother who has removed permanently from the Jurisdiction to another, but has not resided sufficiently long in that Jurisdiction to gain a residence. The Jurisdiction to which he has removed must decide as to conferring degrees.—Missouri, 1902. It is not necessary for a candidate to have resided for six months in the Jurisdiction of the Chapter to which he applies for the Royal Arch and Appendant degrees, if he has otherwise complied with the law.—Texas, 1901.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Neither a ball nor an assembly of any kind can be held in the name of a Chapter without a Dispensation from the Grand High Priest.—Connecticut, 1902.

There is no age limit in advancing from the Blue Lodge to the Chapter.—Georgia, 1902.

When first and second notices have been sent Companions in arrears for dues, and there is no quorum present on the evening of the Stated Convocation at which they are requested to appear, no further formal notice is necessary, but they should be notified of the facts and of the meeting at which the matter will come up for action.—Illinois, 1901.

If a Royal Arch Mason in the Jurisdiction of a Chapter commits an unmasonic act, any member may prefer charges against him and put him upon trial. It makes no difference whether he be a member of the Chapter, some other Chapter, or a non-affiliate.—Indian Territory, 1902.

Ordinarily the non-payment of a debt is not a Masonic offense; but if the debt was fraudulently contracted or payment be fraudulently withheld, charges will lie. A Companion guilty of dishonesty or fraud is liable to charges for unmasonic conduct.—Michigan, 1902.

Striking from the roll in his Lodge does not affect the status of a Companion in his Chapter.—Minnesota, 1901.

Dues of members of an extinct Chapter should only be collected by the Grand Secretary to date of the surrender of Charter.—Nebraska, 1901.

To proceed against a Companion for non-payment of dues prefer charges and proceed to trial in accordance with Section 86, Regulations Grand Chapter.—New Hampshire, 1901.

The dedication of a hall or building for Masonic purposes under the authority of a Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons is a sufficient dedication for Capitular and all other Masonic purposes.— Ohio, 1901.

The High Priest or Secretary of a Subordinate Chapter has no right to enter up as suspended any Companion who may have become an unaffiliated Mason, but such suspension of record must be made by due trial in accordance with provisions of the Code.—Ohio, 1901.

Circular and postal card notices of meetings in usual form, without mention of the private affairs of a Chapter, are permissible, but the publication of the names of candidates, disciplinary proceedings or private affairs of a Chapter in such notices or in the public press is unmasonic and prohibited.—Ohio, 1901.

A Companion made a Royal Arch Mason in a Chapter at request of another Chapter, can not and who does not signify his intention to become a member of the Chapter requesting, at the time of his exaltation becomes an unaffiliated Royal Arch Mason and must apply by regular petition to the Chapter that exalted him or any other to become an affiliated Royal Arch Mason.—South Carolina, 1901.

The By-Laws which have been approved by the Grand Chapter remain the laws of the Chapter until changed by the consent of the Grand Chapter, except in such of their provisions as are allowed to be changed by the Chapter by Articles 50 and 125 of our Statutes.—Texas, 1901.

When a Companion has been elected to membership in a Chapter no further action is required by the Chapter to entitle him to receive the Council Degrees. He must, however, pay the fee therefor.—Texas, 1901.

A Royal Arch Mason cannot testify before a Lodge Committee of Trial to anything said or done in a tiled Royal Arch Chapter.
—Virginia, 1901.

To fill a vacancy caused by resignation of a trustee of a Chapter, one can be elected in his stead without the necessity of a Dispensation.—Wisconsin, 1902.

The making or entertaining of a motion to "indefinitely postpone" is unmasonic, "irregular and unlawful." (Section 27 of the Digest.)—Virginia, 1901.

It is imperative that a candidate pass examination as to his proficiency in the three preceding degrees before being exalted to the Royal Arch Degree.—Wisconsin, 1902.

When the Excellent High Priest or Secretary are notified under seal of the Lodge expelling a brother that such action has been taken, it becomes the prerogative of the High Priest to order his name stricken from the roll of membership.—Wisconsin, 1902.

PAST MASTER DEGREE.

The Ritual and Ceremonies of the Chapter Past Master cannot be used outside of the regular Lodge of Chapter Past Masters.—Kentucky, 1901.

A Chapter recognizes no other Past Master's Degree except the one conferred by it.—Michigan, 1902.

Under the decisions of this Grand Chapter, one who has not received the Past Master's Degree previous to exaltation is thereby debarred recognition as a Royal Arch Mason, and must be lawfully healed before such recognition can be extended.—Ohio, 1901.

PETITION.

The petition of a fellow Craft, not having received the Master Mason's degree, cannot be entertained by a Chapter, although the

brother expected to be raised a day or two before the Chapter met to ballot on the petition.—Kentucky, 1901.

The petition of one whose residence is outside the Jurisdiction of the Chapter he petitions, though his Blue Lodge is within it, is irregular, and unless a waiver is granted must be returned.—Michigan, 1902.

A brother who has received the dependent degrees of the Chapter several years previously need not re-petition to receive the Royal Arch Degree.—Wisconsin, 1902.

QUALIFICATION.

A candidate who cannot raise either arm above his head is ineligible to receive the Capitular Degrees.—Minnesota, 1901.

QUORUM.

Before a Chapter can be legally opened and transact business there must be at least nine regular Royal Arch Masons present.—Indian Territory, 1902.

At a Stated Convocation of the Chapter a quorum to open and close the Chapter, receive petitions, ballot on same, and to transact the routine business must have nine members of the Chapter present.

—Missouri, 1902.

At a Called Convocation for the purpose of conferring degrees and no other business, nine regular Royal Arch Masons, not all of whom are members of the Chapter so convened, constitute a quorum to confer the Royal Arch Degree, but eight for the Mark, six and seven for Past and Most Excellent.—Missouri, 1902.

The number required for a quorum in the subordinate degrees is: In Mark Master Degree, eight; Past Master Degree, seven; Most E. Degree, seven. Three R. A. Masons must be present, one of which shall be a member of the Council. Others may be a member of Lodge in which degree is being conferred.—South Dakota, 1902.

REINSTATEMENT.

A member suspended for a definite period for non-payment of dues becomes reinstated at the end of the period and must then be recharged and tried, charges being preferred at a regular meeting.—Georgia, 1902.

The action of the Grand Lodge reversing the action of a Lodge which had expelled a member and restoring him to his Musonic rights, leaves the Companion a member of his Chapter.—Minnesota, 1901.

To reinstate a Companion suspended from membership for non-payment of dues, petition accompanied by arrearages.—New Hampshire, 1901.

An application to reinstate should be read and referred to a committee.—New Hampshire, 1901.

After payment of arrearages a two-thirds vote in the usual Masonic manner reinstates.—New Hampshire, 1901.

SUBSTITUTE.

One substitute to make up a trio can be used.—Wisconsin, 1902.

VISITORS.

Any Companion can, by objection made to the High Priest, prevent any Companion who is not a member of that Chapter, from visiting that Chapter at any time.—Indian Territory, 1902.

Members and visitors must send in cards, giving their names in full, together with the name and number of the Chapter and the Jurisdiction to which they belong. The names of all Companions present must be written in the minutes and not by reference to a register.—Pennsylvania, 1901.

The High Priest of a Chapter has the undoubted right to refuse admission to a visitor at his discretion.—Pennsylvania, 1901.

WAIVER.

A waiver of Jurisdiction can only be granted at a Regular Convocation.—Washington, 1902.

A waiver of Jurisdiction having been granted in favor of a specified Chapter, it will again have to grant a waiver before another Chapter could receive a petition.—Washington, 1902.

CONCLUSION.

The year's labor has resulted in the reviewing of proceedings of forty-five Grand Jurisdictions, three for two years. For some unaccountable reason we have received no tidings from Indiana, Iowa, Vermont and Massachusetts, though for several months our Grand Secretary has been endeavoring to get them. So, much as we regret it, we have to report with an incomplete list.

Royal Arch Masonry is apparently in a flourishing condition. No dissensions within the Grand Bodies or between one another mar the designs upon the trestle board. About the only question receiving much attention at the present time seems to be that of dependent membership, with, we believe, a large majority favoring it.

In looking over the proceedings we note that Royal Arch Masons are in some cases helping the charitable institutions of the Craft. In the forty-five Jurisdictions received we find nearly \$8,000 devoted to such purposes, and this from thirteen Jurisdictions. Two—Maine and Connecticut—have money invested in a fund. Pennsylvania, Indian Territory, Texas, Illinois, Michigan and Montana help the homes. Kansas, Maine, Minnesota, Louisiana and Canada distribute relief where they deem it needed. Might not Colorado appropriate some of its income toward building up the "Benevolent Fund" which the Grand Lodge has inaugurated in this Jurisdiction. A small percentage of the annual revenue will not be missed, and in a few years will amount to a considerable sum.

With kindest good wishes to all my co-laborers in this field for the pleasant criticisms of my work, and fully appreciating the sincerity of their contentions when they have thought it advisable to disagree with my position, I fraternally submit this report.

ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER, Chairman Correspondence Committee.

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PUEBLO, PUEBLO COUNTY.

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Graham, R. L.
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Jupp, A. E.

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GEORGETOWN, CLEAR CREEK COUNTY.

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GOLDEN CHAPTER No. 5.

GOLDEN, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

. Convocations First and Third Thursdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

John P. Kelly, H. P. John W. Barnes, K. Caleb E. Parfet, S. Joseph Dennis, Jr., C. H. Joseph Mann, P. S. Wm. A. Dier, R. A. C. Robert Faragher, M. 3d V. Charles H. Wade M. 2d V. William Triplett, M. 1st V. Joseph G. Schall, Treas. George K. Kimball, Sec'y. Alexander Kerr, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Arkins, Chas. T. Benjamin, John E. Clark, Charles T. Chinn, Raleigh W. Hall, Robert D. Kelly, James Kelly, George Koenig, Rudolph McGonigle, George Nankivel, James Welch, Clark C.

COLORADO SPRINGS CHAPTER No. 6.

COLORADO SPRINGS, EL PASO COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Tuesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Alfred D. Jenkins, H. P. Aury B. Noxon, K. Thomas Shideler, S. Allen M. Holden, C. H. J. W. McCormac, P. S. Chas, F. Burson, R. A. C. William J. Tallman, M. 3d V. Otto E. Buchmann, M. 2d V. Harvey W. Burson, M. 1st V. Alfred J. McGregor, Treas. Eugene S. Cohen, Sec'y. John Williams, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Atkinson, Lynn S. Atkinson, James W. Ascough, Wm. D. Arnold, Clarence R. Barnes, James P. Barnes, Marion O. Boyer, Saml, L. Bott, Anthony Banning, Wm. M. Beynon, Benjamin L. Bish, Gordon B. Britton, Ernest Burlew, Walter Bernard, Samuel S. Bennett, Darius H. Bates, Lewis N. Bates, Wm. H. Beeson, Ernest B. Burton, Fltz H. Brooks, Paul E. Barker, Chas. W. Courter, John Casser, Con. Jr. Cable, Hiram S. Costello, Frank F. Coleman, Jos. E. Callahan, P. L. Craig, William Comstock, Merton M. Carroll, J. C.

Chamberlain, Lowell H. Dow, Finando E. Dudley, Charles H. Dorrington, J. C. Davis, Frank P. Davie. Robert P. Dauser, Eugene S. Eaton, Edwin J. Ellison, James M. Eubank, James J. Frizzell, William Fehringer, Adolph Fletcher, James S. Grafton, Homer H. Giddings, E. W., Jr. Gough. Thomas Gunnell, Allen T. Greenland, James F. Greene, Edward F. Ginzell, George L. Glass, James P. Gibbons, Wm. H. Horn, Thomas G. Howbert, Irving Himebaugh, John A. Hoagland, Winfield H. Hughes. Thomas Hutchinson, A. B. Humphrey, Albert L. Hext, Thomas

Hatfield, Supple S. Huffman, Thos. M. Hayner, Fred G. Henderson, Robert L. Houston, George M. Heizer, David N. Imler, David H. Jones, Allen D. Kuhn, Chas. E. Kennedy, George D. Kenyon, A. D. Korsmeyer, Fred W. Leddy, Michael A. Lattas, Jacob Lawton, Andrew J. Lawton, Frank C. Lotz, Ernest M. McShane, David McCoach, John McWhorter, Wm. A. McCune, Wm. B. Munson, Ruben D. Meyers, John H. Middagh, James L. Middagh, Pleasants W. Morris, Wesley S. Mitchell, Horace H. Milis, Edward E. Martin, Frederic L. Morrison, Saml. B.

Montgomery, Willis S. Mattingley, Ernest P. Nohe, Philip Osborn, Chester Potter, John Perry, Carlos R. Perkins, Frank A. Pine, Fred A. Puffer, Lewis A. Peyser, George Porter, Otis E. Pattinson, Ben W. Roby, Frank F. Reid, Herbert I. Rice, David H. Reed, Wm. H. Robertson, David B. Reynolds, Joseph E. Reed, Raymond Rafield, Meyer S. Rowell. Milo Reed. Verner Z. Rickerson, O. E.

Rawley, Francis Schmitt, Jacob Steele, Wesley Stubbs, Cassius E. Skinner, Lewis C. Smith, Edward J. Smith, Shadrack L. Snider, George Stovell, Jno. W. D. Smith, John H. J. Smith, S. Ben Stratton, Winfield S. Seymour, Austin F. Sill, Julius A. Shenfor, John W. Spurgeon, W. H. Sharp, Arthur G. Scott, James W. Southcotte, Geo. B. Sadler, George W. Snyder, Albert C. Snyder, Chas. N. Sevier, Frank P.

Sims, Jno. B. Schwartz, Robert Tilton, Wm. F. Thomas, Frank Thomson, T. W. Taylor, A. B. Van Meter, Frank R. Van Wert, Chas. L. Wolfe, Jno. S. Woodburry, Jas. C. Warren, Michael F. Weir, Jerome A. Walter, Edward R. Waltermeyer, Edward R. Woodside, Wm. P. Wellington, Quincy J. Wattson, Henry A. Wilson, Chas. D. Wilkey, Joseph W. Ward, A. Jae Woestman, Edward F. Wheeler, Chas. N.

BOULDER CHAPTER No. 7.

BOULDER, BOULDER COUNTY.

Convocations First and Third Tuesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Geo. S. Oliver, H. P. Geo. F. Chase, K. Jno. H. Crane, S. Richard Gilbert, C. H. Donald Grant, P. S. Jno. T. Carmack, R. A. C.

William Goldsworthy, M. 3d V. Ell P. Metcalf, M. 2d V. Jas. E. Hubbard, M. 1st V. Chas. C. Bromley, Treas. H. E. Washburn, Sec'y. H. W. Sheets, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Arnett, William D.
Allen, John
Allison, William H.
Bradley, Herbert N.
Baylor, Chas. N.
Beam, August
Bellman, Will S.
Burns, M. F.
Barney, Royal S.
Brown, William
Buchhelt, F. J.
Bresnahan, Ed. N.

Burns, Horace R,
Bergheim, Jonas
Browning, Thos. H.
Carruthers, John
Chamberlain, Walter A.
Cheney, Chas. H.
Conway, Jas. C.
Conrad, Fred W.
Connell, John
Coulehan, Robt. E.
Coulehan, Chas. E.
Church, John

Cowle, James
Coleman, William
Duncan, Guy D.
Downer, Sylvester S.
Dodge, Horace O.
Develine, James W.
Dowd, Joseph S.
Emmett, Wm. W.
Fairhurst, Chas, S.
Faurot, Chas. S.
Fisher, Peter W.
Fisher, Jno. B.

Fonda, Geo. F. Fruth, Geo. Gamble, Harry P. Harrison, M. Hathaway, W. N. Henry, Albert T., Sr. Henry, Albert T., Jr. Heizelman, Frank Hood, James H. Hult, William Holmes, Robt. H. Heckman, Emmett Hanburg, John D. G. Ingram, Edwin J. Ives. Jno. N. Jackson, Nelson Jay, Manuel Johnston, Frank E. Jones, Latham W. Kenyon, Enoch Knopp, Milburn Knill, Thos. Kohler, Fred W., Sr. Kohler, Fred W., Jr. Kerr, Ulmer G.

Lescher, John Luxon, Joseph Macky, Andrew J. Madera, Shep. L. McKenzie, Neil D. Metcalf, Frank P. McClory, Thos. A. Meyring, Henry Miller, James P. Mulford, John S. McAllister, Dan E. McAllister, C. Milo Moorhead, James L. McClure, Geo. M. McClure, Harry B. Manell, Henry Nicholson, Jno. W. Nicholson, W. H. Neiderberger, Frank A. O'Conner, Timothy Oliver, William Parker, Wilbur F. Pine, B. Frank Rogers, Platt Rosser, William

Rowen, William F. Saggan, John H. Strasberger, M. Suley, Worth L. Stevens, R. W. Sauer, J. W. Sibley, N. D. Simpson, James Sybrandt, John V. Teal, Geo. W. Titcomb, John S. Turner, John, Jr. · Trezise, John G. Tyler, Frank Trovillion, E. B. Thompson, John C. Williams, C. M. Washburn, Hiram E. White, Wm. W. Wise, Chas. H. Williams, Jno. B. Wilson, Thos. V. Williamson, Fred L. Whitley, R. H. Wolfer, Chas. F.

LONGMONT CHAPTER No. 8.

LONGMONT, BOULDER COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Saturdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

C. F. Bartell, H. P. J. W. Denio, K. James Wiggins, S. Geo. S. Phillips, C. H. F. M. Downer, P. S. Geo. W. Butler, R. A. C. Louis Soderberg, M. 3d V.
 Peter Nelson, M. 2d V.
 A. A. Massek, M. 1st V.
 Solomon Schey, Treas.
 E. J. Coffman, Sec'y.
 L. H. Dickson, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Andrew, C. F.
Butler, Stephen
Baker, C. H.
Bardill, C.
Beckwith, E. Franz, Jr.
Brown, C. M.
Brown, S. W.
Belcher, Freeman
Butler, Thos.
Butler, James
Buckley, J. A.

Coburn, W. T.
Clark, C. C.
Callahan, T. M.
Deitrich, L. H.
Davis, F. B.
Davis, F. J.
Daniels, J. E.
Entwistle, Thos.
Gardner, C. H.
Gray, Doy E.
Grant, J. Q.

Gregg, C. J.
Gibson, A. L.
Greiner, J. W.
Herron, I. L.
Herron, O. F.
Henderson, A. M.
Hockenberger, Wm.
Hartman, John
Harris, G. M.
Hubbell, R. M.
Johnson, August

Johnson, T. F.
Jewett, F. M.
King, Wm.
King, A. G.
Lee, Joseph
Minor, H. M.
Mitchell, Jos.
Morgan, J. J.
Nelson, H. P.

Nicholson, Wm.
Preston, A. M.
Ransom, Dick
Ramsay, John
Slifer, E. G.
Secor, M. G.
Small, Major
Smith, G. E.
Shoemaker, F. J.

St. Clair, J. A.
Van Valkenberg, R. J.
Wiggins, H. F.
White, Eben
Wilson, M. J.
Wilson, J. L.
Williams, Sam'l
Warner, W. A.
Webb, Wm. H.

LEADVILLE CHAPTER No. 10.

LEADVILLE, LAKE COUNTY.

Convocations First and Third Mondays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Frank W. Hurd, H. P. H. W. Woodward, K. Silas A. McPhee, S. John C. Howell, C. H. Kenneth E. McLean, P. S. John R. Champlon, R. A. C. H. M. Blakely, M. 3d V. Jno. F. Armington, M. 2d V. Jas, C. Stephens, M. 1st V. Chas, Hayden, Treas, W. A. Shadbolt, Sec'y, W. R. Johnson, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Andrews, E. H. Alfred, John Branch, A. H. Beemer, Louis J. Boettcher, Chas. Burnand, Alphonse A. Braden, Wm. Brown, Geo. P. Brown, S. M. Bretherton, S. E. Baldy, Jno. P. Becker, Bernard Bonner, Daniel P. Cavender, Chas Christian, Chas. J. Collins, Howard B. Corwin, Herbert D. Crawford, Wm. C. Crulkshank, R. A. Dougan, D. H. Dickinson, Chas. Dickinson, Wm. M. Dickinson, F. L. Dunstan, Edwin Ewing, Jno. E. Enton, Chas. L.

Eaton, Albert L. Fountain, I. E. Galloway, B. S. Gerhart, John H. Goddard, Luther M. Goslin, Arthur M Guller, Wm. Griffith, Benj. F. Harvey, Jno. Hughes, Jno. H. Hersey, Clarence Hellbeck, Gustav Henley, Jas. H. Jans, Hans Johnson, Jno. F. Kneale, Thos. Kahn, Isaac LaSalle, David Lindsey, Jos. Long, L. F. Mack, Jacob McMillen, Rod. McLeod, Robert D. Manchester, Simon McDonald, Jesse F. McCoy, Wm. W.

Miller, Harry H. Melville, Allen Morgan, Wm. C. Maxwell, Jno. M. Mitchell, Hornce C. Murray, L. S. McNiven, Dan Miller, Fred C. Mitchell, Edwin Milton, Jas. H. McNulty, Jas. McMordie, Jas. Nimerick, W. G. Newell, Jas. W. Nelson, Jas. Nelli, Jno. W. Nowland, Jno. Niblock, Jno. J. Nicholson, Sam'l D. Pendery, Henry R. Peterson, P. A. Page, Warren F. Pierce, Jerry N. Polkinghorn, Wm. A. Rockwell, Jno. J. Recen, Dan'l A.

Ramsey, Geo. W. Reef. Joseph F. Robson, Thomas Steen, Wm. Stanley, J. M. Stilwell, Jno. C. Swedburg, Jno. F.

Scheunemann, Gustav Smith, Joel W. Shonerd, David Swain, L. C. Stotesbury, Jno. H. Sands, Chas. Stickley, B. F.

Smith, Max Thompson, W. L. Vulpius, Herman West, Warren G. Williams, Jno. H. Woodford, J. W. Wright, Jno. L.

CACHE LA POUDRE CHAPTER No. 11.

FORT COLLINS, LARIMER COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Fridays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Wm. P. Headden, H. P. Wm. Lindenmeier, Jr., K. Guy E. Loomis, S. Lewis Clark Moore, C. H. John E. Davidson, P. S. John W. Downey, R. A. C. John Whitton, M. 3d V. Peter Anderson, M. 2d V. Jefferson McAnelly, M. 1st V. Charles H. Sheldon, Treas. Stephen H. Seckner, Sec'y. Ole Helgeson, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Armstrong, Andrew Arthur, James B. Annis, Frank J. Boughton, Jay H. Brown, James A. Brazil, Frank F. Brown, Arthur F. Bennett, E. J. Bennett, I. W. Beach, Jerry T. Bartholf, Frank G. Budrow, James T. Blackmer, Adrian Clark, Suel E. Chapman, Clarence J. Crain, L. D. Cuthbertson, James Crowe, John Thomas

Davey, Thomas H. Edwards, Alfred A. Greiner, Jackson M. Gage, Thadeus A. Henderson, John W. Horner, Asa M. Hoag, Addison N. Hall, William Hoffman, John M. Keyes, Charles F. Kibler, Francis Lee, Ethan A. Luli, Celestine E. Lane, Charles D. Miner, William B. Montgomery, Thomas J. Turk, Wm. W. Mahood, Wm. E. McGinley, Andrew

O'Hara, J. G.. Parker, Charles V. Robinson, Thomas M. Robertson, Thomas H. Randall, Charles N. Ramey, Thomas C. Scott, A. W. Silcott, Wm. G. Sutherland, Wm. B. Stover, Frank P. Scott, F. N. B. Secord, Courtland R. Sullivan, Wm. W. Stecker, Michael Sturdevant, Harvey F Woodard, Charles N. Webb, George A.

SOUTH PUEBLO CHAPTER No. 12.

PUEBLO, PUEBLO COUNTY.

Convocations Second Friday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Clement V. Marmaduke, H. P. Richard M. Quackenbush, K. Jacob M. Meales, S. Richard M. Greene, C. H. Richard O. Shubert, P. S. John Davies, R. A. C.

Harry W. Spicer, M. 3d V. Lincoln E. Moses, M. 2d V. Lake C. Montgomery, M. 1st V. John F. Bishop, Treas. William W. Cooper, Sec'y. James Stanchfield, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Adams, Alva Asp, Andrew N. Baker, Wm. H. Baldwin, B. F. Barber, William Barkley, Henry Bell, Herbert E. Billington, Wm. H. Blair, Samuel D. Bowen, Jenkin Wm. Bruner, Richard J. Bullen, Frederick H. Cameron, John Corkish, Robert, Jr. Corwin, Richard W. Cox, Charles Cox, Edward Cox, Emmor Curtis, Oliver T. Davis, Wili B. De Jersey, John T. Divelbiss, J. H. Donegan, John Doudna, John V. Duryea, Wallace Eberenz, George B. Florman, Louis Fraser, W. G. Glatzel, Frank Hahn, Chris, Hancock, William W. Hanna, Joseph P. Harpster, George F. Harris, Alfred B.

Hartman, Adolph Hathaway, Edmund W. Hollis, William H. Hubbell, Edward E. Hutchcraft, Richard W. Irwin, Richard C. Jackson, Alexander James, Rees Kelker, John Ketner, John D. King, Alexander T. Kinney, William Knight, Henry Lannon, Charles A. Liddy, Philip M. Low, John H. H. McGrath, Francis M. McKee, John M. Martel, James P. Merriam, Henry C. Middelkamp, William A. Mills, Charles W. Mirick, Frank G. Morgan, David Moses, Arthur H. Moses, William A. Mulnix, Edward T. O'Donnell, James C. Olin, Ceylon E. Orman, James B. Pannebaker, Myrve D. Park, Andrew Peach. William Pearson, John I.

Petticrew, Theodore A. Porter, William W. Ramsay, George S. Reece, Charles W. Rees, Joseph R. Reynolds, George Rice, Charles O. Robinson, James H. Robinson, John T. Royal, Andrew Sheriff, Samuel Shockey, William L. Shoup, Howard M. Singer, Frank Smith, Yealand Spurgeon, Peter G. Stewart, Alexander T. Stewart, Frank H. Stone, Thomas C. Strait, Lewis B. Tasker, Joseph Thompson, Maurice Tinkle, W. W. Tripp, Chrestus A. Van Brunt, William Walk, William Wiley, Alexander Williamson, Henry A. Wilmunder, Robert Wilson, Christopher Wilson, David M. Wingett, George W. Young, William

GREELEY CHAPTER No. 13.

GREELEY, WELD COUNTY.

Convocations First Monday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Irwin O. Glazier, H. P. Orla M. Abbott, K. Wm. Hall Thompson, S. Sharon Atkinson, C. H. Morton J. Nelli, P. S. Harry H. Shaw, R. A. C.

Ed. G. Flint, M. 3d V. Chas. F. Williams, M. 2d V. Sam'l M. Goodman, M. 1st V. Wm. P. Wasley, Treas. Jos. A. Woodbury, Sec'y. Chas, Heaton, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Brush, Jared L. Barber, James S. Beetham, James Beetham, Jos. W. Butscher, L. E. Bills, Ely Z. Bennett, John A. Cooper, Harry J. Carson, G. R. Crouter, Chas. W. Call, Chas. H. Davis, Arthur W. Davis, A. H. Dille, Frank A Eaton, Benj. H. Eaton, Bruce G. Edwards, Wm. H. Ecker, Harry Fullerton, Winfield S. Freeman, James M. Gale, Jesse S. Gale, Ed. M. Hopper, William Henderson, Milton P. Henderson, Gustave A. Huffsmith, Peter Hilton, Benj. W. Hogarty, Michael J. Hogarty, Wm. P. Howard, Alfred A. Harper, Brainard D. Hubbell, S. J. Igo, Albert James, J. John James, Arthur W. James, Thomas L. Johnson, Bruce F. Johns, Rudolph H. Kelley, David Lucas. Theo. Macy, Thos. G. Manning, Frederic S. Matteson, Menzo C. Mayher, Wm. Miner, Wm. A. McGruder, James Neill, Clarence T.

Nims, Franklin A. Petrikin, John M. B. Perkins, John T. Pollock, Wm. Perry Porter, Frank R. Randolph, Calvin Ramsey, Allen Rugh, Cris Rea, Charles H. Stockover, Frank E. Smyser, Frank Salomon, Adolph Z. Springfield, J. Henry St. John, Edgar Teller, Harrison Thomson, James W. Thompson, Ed. A. Wallace, Robt. K. Willard, Le Barron West, Henry T. Williams, Henry M. Warren, John T. Wolaver, Jacob M.

CANON CITY CHAPTER No. 14.

CANON CITY, FREMONT COUNTY.

Convocations Second Tuesday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Frank N. Carrier, H. P. Albert E. Wilson, K. William M. Bridges, S. Henry M. Mingay, C. H. William H. Trout, P. S. George E. Trout, R. A. C. Charles M. Collins, M. 3d V. Richard C. Knight, M. 2d V. Henry C. Webster, M. 1st V. James H. Peabody, Treas. Henry L. Price, Sec'y. Joseph T. Little, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Arlett, George H. Azdell, James B. Argali, David J. Brown, Charles W. Bridwell, William T. Brown, John S. Bethel, George W. Bradbury, George E. Bradbury, James M. Binckley, John A. Black, Amos R. Bailey, Morton S. Bockfinger, George Beddoes, Cecil C. Blunt, John E. Combs, James W. Craven, Thomas H. Cassedy, George R. Chapman, James P. Coslett, Walter Cramer, Henry T. Cleghorn, John Clingan, Preston H. Cromley, Frank D. Costlow, Joseph Davis, William J. Davis, Alonzo H. Durfee, Alfred Dufer, Charles E. Davis, M. T. Davis, Samuel A. · Daniels, William J. Dyer, Joseph G. Dyer, James J. Davie, William H. Earle, Henry Eynon, David Ford, Allen E.

Frisbie, Arthur R. Gravestock, John Garrett, Daniel N. Garrett, A. D. Gibson, David E. Hawkins, William L. Hutton, Vard A. Hatch, Austin L. Hasbrouck, James E. Harding, Theodore M. Haskins, Charles F. Hughes, James Hand, N. T. Jack, Delbert A. Jones, Benjamin F. Kellenberger, George H. Keller, Frank Kohlman, Louis X. Lawrence, Adley B. Lloyd, Henry Lockhead, John A. Lantz, James B. Lines, Matt N. Lewis, Moses E. Larson, Gustav A. Milsom, Joseph W. Mitchell, George M. Mock, Harry McGrath, Miles McNeil, John McGilliard, William P. McClure, William H. McKenzle, George McCreery, J. C. Morrison, Charles A. Murray, John W. Mayhew, William M. Monroe, Adam S.

Monroe, James W. Neely, Charles Nikirk, Clyde G. Nichols, Sylvester S. Norris, Joseph Pauls, Charles Patterson, Alex. Patterson, John A. Palmer, Thomas D. Palmer, Hunter Plummer, John Pierce, Ross C. Peabody, Willis H. Rockafellow, Benj. F. Roe, George W. Rambo, James W. Rowe, David L. Sartor, Augustus Sill, Franz Stewart, Robert C. Stewart, Robert Dee Standish, Miles Squires, John F. Sundmacher, Charles H. Smith, Frank L. Sibbald, Eleazor W. Shoemaker, Theodore Tyson, Robert Thomas, Joel H. Taylor, Charles Weston, Edward G. Witcher, T. Walton, Joseph Williams, George T. Wear, Robert H. Walker, Nathaniel O. Young, Leroy C.

SAN JUAN CHAPTER No. 15.

APPENDIX.

DURANGO, LA PLATA COUNTY.

Convocations Second Friday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

George Weaver, H. P. Harry Jackson, K. Theo. E. Peterson, S. Samuel S. Sloan, C. H. John J. Lyons, P. S. George W. Franklin, R. A. C. Nathan C. Miller, M. 3d V. George W. Stough, M. 2d V. Isaac Kruischki, M. 1st V. John L. Parsons, Treas. Jethro C. Sanford, Sec'y. William H. LaCount, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Amboldt, Robert A. Bayly, William Barbour, Thomas E. Brown, Austin H. Buchanan, Edgar Copp, George V. Chadsey, Charles E. Cook, Thomas Delos, A. L. Davenport, Edward P. Freund, George Gallotti, Frank Goodman, Henry C. Gault, John Gilbert, Bartlett Hall, Harry L. Hanson, Rasmuss Helmboldt, Fred G. Howett, E. L.

Hopkins, J. S. D. Houx, Benjamin F. Jamerson, George B. Kephart, George W. Knowles, John Klengender, Henry King, William A. Langley, John C. Lewis, Andrew R. Lowe, Robert A. Meredeth, Joseph McCaffrey, Daniel J. McConnell, Charles McGrew, Irvin W. McHolland, James H. McCartney, Robert J. McLean, Charles Newman, Charles Perrung, John

Pearson, John Prewitt, Joseph Parshall, W. W. Patterson, William J. Russell, James L. Roberts, Gus A. Shrader, Harry Sheets, Daniel L. Schutt, James E. Schwickhimer, David Shirey, Wesley Scouten, Glenn A. West, George E. Williams, Charles M. Winne, John C. Wingate, Frank A. Wingate, John W. Ware, Harry F. Young, Frank H.

GUNNISON CHAPTER No. 16.

GUNNISON, GUNNISON COUNTY.

Convocations Third Friday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

O. H. Aikine, H. P. H. M. Webster, K. George A. Porter, S. John A. Steele, C. H. John E. Brothers, P. S. Henry C. Bartlett, R. A. C. S. P. Spencer, M. 3d V. T. W. Gray, M. 2d V. Wm. H. Davis, M. 1st V. Henry Purrier, Treas. W. S. Rainbow, Sec'y. Charles Biebel, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Burnett, Walker
Carlisle, R. G.
Calvert, W. W.
Edwards, Albert H.
Fine, William J.
Gibson, Ezra
Hyzer, Abram E.
Lawrence, James S.
Lewis, Thomas J.
Monahan, Michael

Parlin, John T.
Pearson, John F.
Richardson, Denver L.
Rhodes, Matthew
Roblee, Morgan A.
Sapp, Dexter T.
Seelinger, Fred A.
Shove, Eugene P.
Snyder, William

Songer, Frank E. Starr, Thomas Stewart, Charles L. Webb, John Wheeler, N. C. Wilson, Richard B. Winn, Charles F. Wolf, Benjamin J. Wright, Harry C.

SALIDA CHAPTER No. 17.

SALIDA, CHAFFEE COUNTY.

Convocations First Tuesday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

George A. Montgomery, H. P. William S. Thomas, K. John Wallis Ohl, S. Charles B. Coffin, C. H. Herman O. Brown, P. S. William W. Roller, R. A. C.

Matthew M. Smith, M. 3d V. William M. Newman, M. 2d V. William G. Morris, M. 1st V. Melvin J. Ruland, Treas, George W. McGovern, Sec'y. William G. Sisson, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Arenberg, Fred W.
Boucher, Elmer T.
Brush, Fred W.
Bonney, Josiah M.
Brewster, George P.
Boughton, Sidney S.
Bancroft, Thomas D.
Crymble, Hugh
Condit, James A.
Cartwright, William N.
Croft, Charles J.
Davidson, James A.
De Remer, Benjamin H.
Disman, Benjamin
Dobble, Harry

De Weese, James W. Fay, William W. Guerin, Michael J. Guynn. John W. Graf, Bernard Henry, M. J. Hawkins, George D. Haskins, Edward G. Jackson, Frederick A. Johnson, Charles G. Julian, Taylor E. Lewis, Titus Martin. Theodore Morehouse, David W.

Nye, Augustus T.
Newton, Howell D.
Rose, George W.
Reed, George C.
Shively, Charles L.
Seelinger, Sherman W.
Saffel, Thomas
Stevens, Frank R.
Thayer, Elmer A.
Van Meter, Stroud
White, Henry L.
Wilber, Ernest
Wilcox, Charles A.
Ware, Charles C.

SAN LUIS VALLEY No. 18.

ALAMOSA, CONEJOS COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Tuesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

F. W. Swanson, H. P. C. M. Ball, K. W. G. Boyles, S. M. H. Van Fleet, C. H. M. H. McLeod, P. S. A. C. Cole, R. A. C.

J. W. Kinch, M. 3d V. A. B. Ruby, M. 2d V. J. K. Rupert, M. 1st V. John Gertelsen, Treas. W. H. Hirst, Sec'y. A. M. Collins, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Booth, George
Baxter, J. H.
Bashear, Wm.
Bassett, Alden
Bradford, J. E.
Cochran, W. H.
Corbin, O. L.
Corlett, C. M.
Carroll, W. D.
Dubendorff, H. H.
Eiting, C. T.
Eeles, Wm. G.
Ewing, John J.
Foster, C. R.
Fynn, A. J.

Haffy, J. B.
Hindle, F. L.
Hill, D. H.
Hall, C. D.
Kresham, Chas.
Law, John
McIntire, A. W.
Miller, A. L.
Moore, H. L.
Monroe, Wm.
Moses, A. L.
Merriman, C. A.
Packard, W. A.
Shone, G. H.
Stattop, W. O.

Sylvester, L. B.
Spriestersbach, John
Sloan, Wm.
Spranger, W. N.
Thoms, T. C.
Tracy, J. D.
Willis, G. A.
Wallace, R. B.
Warburton, G. S.
Wallrich, C.
Wels, Louis
Weis, August
Weis, Adam
Westlake, J. W.

KEYSTONE CHAPTER No. 19.

ASPEN, PITKIN COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Mondays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Edd C. Bonnell, H. P. Joseph H. Scott, K. William T. Huff, S. Mortimer J. Geary, C. H. Frank M. Yates, P. S. L. T. Tuescher, R. A. C.

Joseph R. Johns, M. 3d V. Antoine R. Burnett, M. 2d V. John B. Goldle, M. 1st V. Richmond H. Fisher, Treas. Charles W. Stringfield, Sec'y. William Parr, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Auld, John Bright, William H. Brown, David R. C. Baders, Dominick Brown, Lemuel A. W. Brownscombe, Frederick J. Canning, Herbert A.

Canning, John K. Carstens, Alex B. Campbell, J. W. Clawson, C. W. Clark, Walter S.
Clark, Thomas O.
Cox, William J.
Colin, James
Cramer, Herbert H.
David, David
Dills, James M.
Fishel, Charles W.
Fechtig, Louis R.
Freeman, Jasen E.
Gillespie, Henry B.
Greener, John H.
Halton, J. C.

Hunkins, Ensign L.
Huff, Charles B.
Johnson, Daniel D.
Kobey, Mark G.
Lowenhagen, Fred
Lyster, Theodore G.
McPherson, David F.
McCullough, Henry
Martin, George T.
Miller, Riley
Mecklenberg, Abe
Morthland, George H.

Nelson, W. Porter Ryan, Michael D. Ruse, Joseph Shriver, Charles E. Sheilds, William Strehlke, Albert L. Sweeney, John Vickery, George C. Weinberg, Charles L. Weinberg, Louis Wachtel, Simon Williams, John R.

LA JUNTA CHAPTER No. 20.

LA JUNTA, OTERO COUNTY.

Convocations First and Third Tuesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

George H. Winchell, H. P. Victor Albera, K. Frank Filmey, S. George A. Kilgore, C. H. James C. Talliaferro, P. S. James B. Sherman, R. A. C.

James B. Pearce, M. 3d V. J. Richard Pearson, M. 2d V. Archie G. Stewart, M. 1st V. John Johnson, Treas. Robert A. Steen, Scc'y. Joseph F. Everett, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Averill, Wallace Barkley, David W. Barnes, Albert S. Barr, George Beard, John Beerbohm, Charles A. Best, Alexander D. Bomgardner, Charles W. Bryant, Isaac S. Buckey, Charles R. Carter, William H. Chopper, Israel F. Cooke, Maynard E. Dameron, George M. Dean, John W. Draper, Alfred C. Duncan, William Farley, Charles Farwell, Marcus Z.

Garlington, Thomas C. Gauger, John E. Gillispie. Robert Gobin, William B. Godding, John E. Godding, Talmai F., Jr. Grant, Emerson W. Green, Sherman S. Haddaway, Rochester Hale, Ira D. Haskins, Benjamin F. Hess, Oliver G. Houghton, David H. Johnson, Harry Jones, James C. Kendall, Charles F. Lamb, John N. Lamb, Robert E. Loomis, Harry W.

Marshall, Edward Maxwell, Harry I. McCauley, Marion R. McNeen, James Near, George H. Nichols, George H. Paulsen, August H. Rugsdale, Edward W. Renahan, Cornelius J. Reynolds, Charles A. Sherwin, Edwin U. Smith, Edwin J. Soupset, Frederick P. Steele, William C. Stubbs, Charles S. Thompson, George S. Tompkins, Francis W. Vroman, John C.

KILWINNING CHAPTER No. 21.

OURAY, OURAY COUNTY.

Convocations Second Wednesday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Truman Waldron, H. P.
Andrew W. Richardson, K.
George R. Hulburt, S.
Wm. C. Fulton, C. H.
Wm. T. Hays, P. S.
John P. Carney, R. A. C.

Chas. T. Hammon, M. 3d V. Richard Whinnerah, M. 2d V. Ernest Schuster, M. 1st V. Geo. A. Scott, Treas. Chas. A. Sperber, Sec'y. James K. Herring, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Abbott, James W. Alexander, Wallace B. Alschbach, Henry Ashley, Wm. W. Armstrong, Chas. A. Begole, Geo. D. Bradley, Geo. T. Bradley, John F. Brown, Geo. A. Brown, Amos K. Childers, Lawrence D. Corson, Howe G. Clamp, James Corbett, Miles S. Deutsch, Henry A. Edgar, John T. Foster, Henry P. Fourrell, Wm. H. Grill, Ernest Haskins, Chas. W. Hendershot, Jos. D. Henry, Lyman I.

Jeffers, Albert Johnson, Wm. H. Kinley, Edward Kinne, H. W. Knous, Alfred L. Kayser, Mayer Kunz, Sam'l W. Kramer, Wm. R. Kraul, Walter Lee, Harry A. Long, James W. Lawrence, Peter L. Lacy, Geo. Leonard, Chas. M. Mark, Milton H. Moore, Wm. D. McLennan, John A. Middaugh, Wm. H. Meldrum, Alex S. Niles, James Phillips, W. Bruce

Pierce, Geo. C. Parliman, B. E. Rider, Sam'l P. Rose, Chas. E. Roe, James Rowan, Wm. W. Stevens, Theron Story, Wm. South, John Springer, Albert R. Sigfrid, Carl J. Tonge, Frederick R. Tanner, Frank P. Torrey, Ira A. Walther, Amos E. Wilson, Walter B. Wagner, Jacob Wheeler, Walter F. Walsh, Thos. F. Williams, Ralph Waybright, Wm. B.

GLENWOOD CHAPTER No. 22.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, GARFIELD COUNTY.

Convocations First and Third Tuesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Jas. W. Ross, H. P. Louis Schwarz, K. Chas. W. Darrow, S. Fred A. Atkinson, C. H. Thos. Kendrick, P. S. Wm. Rohr, R. A. C. George H. Tabor, M. 3d V. A. L. Beardsley, M. 2d V. W. H. Trumbor, M. 1st V. Barnetto T. Napier, Treas. Marshall H. Dean, Sec'y. Reuben Stees, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Burcham, Frank Clark, L. G. Clark, John M. Dougan, Wm. De Remer, Jared R. Dinkel, Wm. M. Dynes, Ward B. Davis, Thos. L. Davis, Benj. L. Durand, Chas. Ward Ewing, Fred C. . Evans, W. S. Eubanks, S. B. Evans, John Fesler, John H. Hald, George Hasley, Henry Iles, Thomas H. Kamm, Henry R.

Kniphausen, Edmond M. Lee, Chas. A. Lyttle, James Livingston, Willard W. Moulton, George H. Maltby, Wm. E. Manzing, Een, Miller, James E. McLachlin, Merril M. H. Nuckols, Geo. H. Nelson, John Oldland, Reuben Parkison, Wm. S. Parks, Clifford C. Pfeiffer, F. W. H. Parker, Edward B. Rees, Wm. H. Reilley, Don J.

Rhys, John Swan, Jos. S. Stevenson, A. M. Sweet, Frank E. Schliff, Wm. A. Stevenson, Clarence H. Smith, Wm. L. Salmon, Elijah Tillery, W. H. Taughenbaugh, J. Frank Taylor, Ed. T. Van Sycle, Harry E. Ward, Levi Williams, Joe P. Wraith, Samuel Wear, Samuel P. Weir, John R. Walz, Henry B.

TRINIDAD CHAPTER No. 23.

TRINIDAD, LAS ANIMAS COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Thursdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

W. S. Keeney, H. P. Fred E. Cole, K. Thos. J. Forhan, S. Jno. B. Hershey, C. H. John Humphreys, P. S. Frank D. Goodale, R. A. C.

Sol H. Jaffa, M. 3d V. Harry B. Brown, M. 2d V. Stephen T. Burkhard, M. 1st V. Jas. L. Bridge, Treas. Ivory Q. Milliken, Sec'y. Stoakley D. Hays, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Albertson, Jos. L.
Archibald, Robt. L.
Brown, Henry E.
Blake, Carlos H.
Bush, R. A.
Brown, Mort.
Bullen, Chas. E.
Bahl, Chas. F.
Brown, J. J.
Blernbaum, Herman
Brighton, Alec R.
Boyle, Wm. W.
Bateman, Geo. C.
Cornell, Gideon B.

Calloway, Doc R.
Cunningham, Wm. B.
Coleman, J. W.
Catlett, Robt. H.
Crofoot, Wm.
Clark, Ozlas T.
Davis, J. M.
Drake, J. R.
Dunlap, Wm. A.
Danford, Wm. E.
Eyssenhardt, Paul
East, Edward C.
East, Thos. D.
Erickson, Peter

Ellon, Morris
Freudenthal, Leopold
Gibbons, Richard D.
Gottlieb, Leo R.
Gordon, Wm.
Gass, Benj. W.
Gillon, Wm. B.
Harper, David S.
Hedges, Wm. K.
Horn, Lonny
Hensley, J. H.
Hamorslough, Ralph
Harper, John D.
Helt, Fred. C.

Jones, Wm. W. Jacobs, Alex. Johnson, Louis Knight, Robt. J. Kuver, Chris. C. Kahn, Jacob M. Linthurst, Jno. F. La Belle, Jason P. Lake, Robt. Murphy, J. G. Mahin, Wm. M. Mitchell, Steve N. Murray, Wm. J. Munroe, W. F. Miller, Chas. H. McClintock, E. E. McNeil, Wm.

McClure, Chas. O. Northcutt, Jesse G. O'Nell, Robert Peters, Wm. E. Pattison, Thos. Pattison, James Quilitch, Herman R. Rapp, Isaac N. Reinoehls, J. R. Richards, M. J. Riddle, Andrew Reese, Geo. A. Radford, Fred J. Saylor, O. Leo Sneddon, Alex. Smith, Wm. B. Stone, Dan'l W.

Stone, A. L. Sipe, Burney B. Thompson, Wm. Taylor, Angus Truitt, J. M. Verliff, Peter Wilder, Wm. H. Williams, Thos. White, Henry Wade, Loren E. White, Dan'l T. Woolton, Richens L. Wilson, Albert M. Wilbur, Chas. H. Wood, Frank R. Wight, Amos B.

GRAND JUNCTION CHAPTER No. 24.

GRAND JUNCTION, MESA COUNTY.

Convocations Second Thursday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Wm. H. Bannister, H. P. John B. Mann, K. Edward A. Krohn, S. David R. Crosby, C. H. Lawrence M. Miller, P. S. Jacob R. Fallis, R. A. C.

Joseph M. Sampliner, M. 3d V. Wm. A. Marsh, M. 2d V. George R. Garrison, M. 1st V. Horace T. DeLong, Treas. Wm. Carlyle, Sec'y. John J. Lumsden, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Adams, Orson, Jr. · Bower, Columbus Bull, Herman R. Bucklin, Jas. W. Barnhouse, Thos. E. Blakeslee, Merril W. Betts, Amos A. Broemser, John G. Caswell, Chas. F. Crawford, Thos. B. Clark, David T. Crosby, George F. Cronin, John J. Cullen, Alfred R. Davidson, Ruel L. Evans, Edwin A. Eldridge, Edward F. Glessner, Chas. E. Golden, Wm. H.

Gordon, George Grout, Alonzo C. Garman, Adam R. Horton, John Heist, George H. Hinton, George F. Jay, Benj. F. Jones, Theodore M. Johnson, Wm. R. Lattner, Thomas J. Layton, James A. Layton, Abel M. Maloy, Ed. N. Mitchell, Chas. E. Moran, Theodore P. McMullin, Sam G. McCune, Addison J. McGinley, Wm. Meehan, Charles

Nelson, James H. Oliver, Joseph D. Oleson, Gust. A. Price, Chas. C. Pierce, Franklin H. Quinn, Daniel Reeder, John D. Rayburn, John S. Roberts, David Roberti, Jas. F. Smith, Peter Snook, Thos. A. Stapleton, John Sampliner, Albert R. Snyder, Benj. J. Thomas, John W., Jr. Wharton, Alvin T. Williams, Charles R.

^{*}By Dispensation, May 8, 1902.

MONTROSE CHAPTER No. 25.

MONTROSE, MONTROSE COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Tuesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Chas. Hirt, H. P.
John Gray, K.
I. W. Hottel, S.
Stanley S. Sherman, C. H.
Geo. H. Smith, P. S.
Jacob H. Hafer, R. A. C.

Thomas Nutt, M. 3d V. George Hann, M. 2d V. Walter H. Fleming, M. 1st V. William A. Thomas, Treas. Jno. M. Reynolds, Sec'y. G. E. Anderson, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Arterbury, Geo. W. Akard, Cole B. Bester, Edward D. Bell, John C. Bonney, Alvin L. Blake, R. H. Boot, Wm. Barrows, Edward P. Clark, N. G. Dlehl, R. C. Deemer, Edwin Ealer, John W.

Emhuff, Samuel M.
Farner, Fred G.
Geer, T. B.
Halley, John H.
Hotchkiss, Wm. R.
Henderson, Christopher
Hanson, John E.
Hotchkiss, Fred S.
Hall, Edward E.
Johnson, A.
Krebs, J. F.
Kelso, R. S.

Kyle, James F.
McClure, Jas. E.
Mitchell, Harry H.
Page, James W.
Posey, Fayette H.
Pike, Chas. L.
Roberts, Abe
Reeves, Alymer F.
Smith, Chas. B.
Trippler, John W.
Wise, H. Douglass

AKRON CHAPTER No. 26.

AKRON, WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Convocations Second Wednesday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Isaac N. McCue, H. P.
John F. Dole, K.
August Muntzing, S.
John B. Fisher, C. H.
Edwin W. Clark, P. S.
George W. Ball, R. A. C.
William Little, M. 3d V.

Frederick S. Parker, M. 2d V. Adam J. Johnson (died Dec. 10, 1901), M. 1st V. Creed F. Middlecoff, Treas. John G. Hudson, Sec'y. John N. Counter, Bent.

MEMBERS.

Butts, Lafayette M. Bender, Joseph J. Bales, Elisha J. Bent, George B. Combs, Thomas Colvin, William B. Donahue, William F. Deck, Darias J. Hardy, Fred McKay, Samuel
Stephenson, Louis C.
Schenck, William C.
Skelton, William T.

WALSENBURG CHAPTER No. 27.

WALSENBURG, HUERFANO COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Saturdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Frank M. Anderson, H. P. Alexander Levy, K. Thomas Sproull, S. George D. Lawson, C. H. Edward L. Trounstine, P. S. Allan French, R. A. C.

Frank P. Woodward, M. 3d V. Carlton M. McGuire, M. 2d V. Fred Walsen, Jr., M. 1st V. J. B. Johnson, Treas. Henry Blickhahn, Sec'y. Alexander S. Harron, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Allison, James Brodle, H. H. Cooper, C. M. Chapman, Walter S Dailey, Issac Elmire, George Gaston, Joseph Hayes, R. A. Jones, Lin M. Kearns, John P.

Killian, James R. Kincaid, Joseph K. Learneard, P. D. Lamme, H. G. Mathews, J. W. Martin, Charles L. McGowan, James D. Otsen, John R. Phipps, George

Ramsey, F. E. Roof, F. O. Rourke, James M. Sawdey, Ed. Springer, W. A. Todd, Samuel Tweeddale, Thomas Unfug, C. O. Unfug, Fred.

TELLURIDE CHAPTER No. 28.

TELLURIDE, SAN MIGUEL COUNTY.

Convocations First and Third Wednesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

William E. Craine, H. P. William B. Van Atta, K. Edward R. Atchison, S. Addison M. Wrench, C. H. Otto Brandes, P. S. Charles F. Painter, R. A. C. Gus Robinson, M. 3d V. Richard H. Woods, M. 2d V. William A. Farnham, M. 1st V. William E. Wheeler, Treas. Vincent U. Rodgers, Sec'y. Winford H. Gordon, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Adams, Jefferson D. Allen, Arthur W. Brown, James W. Brown, Ira E. Brown, James L. Ballard, Alexander M. Becker, George Butterfield, Frank L. Betts, George P. Brickson, Gustaf

Borrow, Frank K. Carson, Robert J. Coslett, Charles P. Carr, Joseph E. Denison, Loran G. Davis, Omar N. Dolf. George R. Fitzgarrald, Stephen R. Hogg, Herschel M. Fisher, George L. Fredlund, Axel

Frank, Henry Gutshall, S. P. Gabbert, William H. Gage, Joe R. Gibbs, Charles W. Hall, Harry C. Hilgenhaus, Charles F. Haines, John L. Hockley, Edgar A.

King, Alfred C. Kracaw, Charles E. Lavender, Edgar N. Lomax, Louis C. March, William T. Moore, Henry C.
McIvor, Donald W.
McKie, John W.
Olson, John
Peers, Roderick A.

Phillips, George H. Smith, William C. Thomas, William J. Thomas, Orris C. Watson, Charles L.

COLORADO CHAPTER No. 29.

DENVER, ARAPAHOE COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Wednesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Hubert L. Shattuck, H. P. Robt. W. Bonynge, K. Arthur F. Harlow, S. Chas. H. Redmond, C. H. C. C. Eichelberger, P. S. W. Arthur Rice, R. A. C. Clarence Kellogg, M. 3d V. Wm. W. Harris, M. 2d V. Jos. C. Hutchinson, M. 1st V. Deane Monahan, Treas. Wm. H. Postlewaite, Sec'y. Thomas Nichol. Sent.

MEMBERS.

Arnold, Ed Gene Allen, John D. Adams, Matt. Adamson, Oram E. Atkinson, Lloyd S. Bishop, Frank L. Beless, Frank W. Bissell, Julius B. Blood, James H. Bohm, Henry Bristol, Harlan P. Bartels, Gustav C. Burchinell, Wm. K. Burlingame, E. E. Brooks, Geo. W. Burr, Edward N. Bailey, Fred J. Burnett, J. A. Brand, Geo. Card, Chas. S. Card, Geo. W. Carson, J. Harry Carrow, Paul H. Clinton, Chas. M. Cooper, Cy. E. Cowell, David A. Campbell, James M. Cutshaw, Leonard Chamberlain, N. A. Calhoun, Wm. C.

Critchell, Chas. R. Chittenden, Granville I. Dobbins, Sam'l S. Dines, Tyson S. Darby, Samuel E. Dalton, Melvin P. Deisher, Winfred S. Dresser, Joseph C. Dillon, John J. Evans, James P. Eagleton, Wm. H. Eaton, Cyrus B. Felker, Wm. B. Fell, George Foster, Ernest Le Neve Fullerton, Wm. Field, E. B. Fontius, John J. Gilbert, Lloyd S. Goldsworthy, R. W. Goudy, Frank C. Graham, J. A. F. Graham, Frank C. Green, John K. Gallaher, Thomas J. Glesicke, Albert, Jr. Gingrich, James M. Hagar, Cad E. Hall, Frank Hamilton, W. W.

Hannum, H. W. Hart, Geo. W. Highland, Ed. F. Hunt, F. A. Hunter, Jno. B. Heckendorf, Ed. G. Hurd, James W. Huston, Arthur E. Jaeger, Chas. J. Johnson, A. A. Jacobson, Chas. H. James, Beni. L. Johnson, Jas. J. Jones, Wm. F. Jetter, Matthias Keepers, Chas. E. Kelly, Isaac P. Ketchum, H. A. Kramer, Geo. W. Kayser, Lee Lewis, James W. Lee, Harry N. Lee, David K. Lemen, Lewis E. Lehman, Edward H. Leyner, J. George Larimer, W. F. Lewis, Wm. B. Linstroth, H. A. Lloyd, D. H.

Liverman, Moses Lewis, Verne A. Le Bert, Richard Manning, Cassius R. Mason, Wm. L. Miller, Chas. F. Murphy, Daniel M. Mayo, Dudley D. Mueller. Fred Mullvihill, F. E. Milner, Joseph Mills, E. B. Martin, Harry D. McGaffey, A. B. McClelland, Thomas E. Nesmith, Jno. W. Nichol, Wm. J. Nockin, Edward Oakes, F. W. Orahood, Harper M. Oliver, Richard P. Patten, W. D. Procter, Albert S. Peck, Ira F. Perchard, James Petherick, Benj. Pollock, Alexander

Puckett, Wm. J. Phillips, John T. Perry, John W. Parker, Harvey B. Perkins, I. B. Rogers, James H. Richards, Jesse Robinson, Wm. F. Root, Geo. H. Rhoads, Halsey M. Rowntree, Jno. T. Strickling, Henry F. Sagendorf, Andrew Salter, W. D. Satterfield, E. F. Schmidlap, Cale D. Shepherd, Wm. B. Shuford, J. D. Smith, Erastus W. Shumway, E. E. Sites, Geo. L. Sleeper, Jno. W. Smith, Frank Smylle, Frank W. Scott, Clinton H. Soetje, Edward C.

Stevens, Wm. F. Stevenson, Geo. Snyder, Edwin H. Spengel, August J. Stemen, Geo. C. Traylor, Sam'l W. Thomas, Theo. Thompson, R. D. Vallery, Geo. W. Van Culin, Trabue Vick Roy, A. F. Vick Roy, Lucien B. Van Meter, S. D. Van Clay, M. Walsen, Fred Watts, Fred P. Willard, James P. Wilson, Carson B. Willson, Fred J. Wise, C. E. Woodruff, Jas. S. Worth, Thomas N. Watson, A. C. Withers, Thomas Winchester, Josiah Wright, Abbot L.

IDAHO SPRINGS CHAPTER No. 30.

IDAHO SPRINGS, CLEAR CREEK COUNTY.

Convocations Second Wednesday in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Geo. E. Armstrong, H. P. E. M. Moscript, K. A. R. Comstock, S. F. E. Angove, C. H. J. A. Redding, P. S. C. L. Plummer, R. A. C.

H. Weinberger, M. 3d V. David Ellis, M. 2d V. Jos. G. Wecks, M. 1st V. J. J. Shewin, Treas. V. I. Noxon, Sec'y. Jno. M. Jackson, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Atcheson, Geo.
Arkins, Wm. G.
Bush, Wm. L.
Bullis, A. D.
Borrell, Chas. F.
Belmore, Oscar

Chester, J. E. Chamberlain, Allan G. Chapman, John Chinn, R. P. Dingwall, Andrew Dayles, Richard J. Freestone, A. H. Graham, R. R. Garrabrandt, F. A. Hiser, J. Lee Haggott, W. A. Hocking, Chas. H.

Liddy, E. E. McClelland, Geo. E. Moreland, J. H. Morgan, Wm. Moss, F. A. Orvis, J. W. Peterson, P. F. Roberts, H. L. Roberts, L. L. Steeves, C. P. Stewart, Geo. R. Sperstad, Thorsten Thorsen, P. L. Ulrick, Frederick Vivian, Geo. G. Wilson, H. N. Williams, Hunter

FORT MORGAN CHAPTER No. 31.

FORT MORGAN, MORGAN COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Fridays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Robert M. Handy, H. P. James T. Devin, K. Demster H. Dailey, S. James P. Curry, C. H. Francis M. Simpson, P. S. William S. Simpson, R. A. C. Charles J. Carlson, M. 3d V. William H. Clatworthy, M. 2d V. George S. Redfield, M. 1st V. Moncellas L. More, Treas. James H. Jones, Sec'y. Chauncy W. Scoville, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Anderson, Frank H.
Dersham, George W.
Farnsworth, Joseph B.
Gault, John, Jr.
Gill, Mark B.
Heiskell, Tyler D.
Knearl, William

Lamborn, Nathan Phelps, Albert E. Phelps, Cyrus H. Robinson, George W. Simpson, Frank L. Trout, Adam M. Twombly, Hurd W. Wagner, Moses N. Warner, George W. Wilkins, Oliver W. Williams, Edward E. Williams, Joseph W.

ORIENT CHAPTER No. 32.

LAMAR, PROWERS COUNTY.

Convocations First and Third Wednesdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

A. E. Bent, H. P.
W. C. Gould, K.
W. J. Johnston, S.
James K. Doughty, C. H.
C. B. Thoman, P. S.
C. C. Huddleston, R. A. C.

F. M. Tate, M. 3d V. I. L. Maxwell, M. 2d V. A. N. Parrish, M. 1st V. M. Strain, Treas. L. Wirt Markham, Sec'y. Wm. G. Russell, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Adams, L. F. Bent, J. W. Brown, B. B. Baldwin, J. C. Baldwin, Lee Cade, W. E. Coates, W. S. Durkie, James Duncan, John Barton, A. D. Dargie, Wm. Garvin, George J. Goodale, C. C. Goodale, M. S. Hutchins, L. J. Holmes, Frank J.

Hillyer, Granby Hasty, J. S. Hanna, Geo. F. Keesee, Dan Liggett, C. Frost Morehouse, W. L. Maxwell, Chas.

McPherson, C. L. McDowell, J. A. Pettee, H. A. Robertson, J. Scott Tague, F. M. Underwood, M. J. Wilson, R. D.

CRIPPLE CREEK CHAPTER No. 33.

CRIPPLE CREEK, TELLER COUNTY.

Convocations First and Third Mondays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

Tom A. Smith, H. P. Alfred C. Jaquith, K. John R. Williams, S. Charles Ridpath, C. H. John C. Sturtevant, P. S. Casibianca B. White, R. A. C.

Augustus L. Arnold, M. 3d V. Wm. W. McCauley, M. 2d V. Harry Leimberger, M. 1st V. John E. Rinker, Treas. Richard Burke, Sec'y. *August Beam, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Armstrong, Leonard A. Countryman, Theophi-Barker, Mathew C. Baughman, Charles E. Clark, William I Baker, Ulysses R. Crites, John F. Barry, John S. Baney, Ole B. Bevor, John C. Bernard, Frank Beven, John Binner, John L. Bourne, Sydney H. Blizard, Ira Blauvelt, Louis D. George, Lee Bradford, Thomas C. Getz, Valentine Brand, Charles W. Brown, Fred S. Boyd, James H. Burrows, Richard H. Burns, Thomas F. Carman, John S. Campbell, Alexander J. Hamm, Peter M. Campbell, Frank W. Camp, Sol Cohn, Morris Cohn, Louis L. Cohen, Samuel L. Cohen, Haskell M.

*Not a member.

lus R. Clark, William L. Culton, John J. Davis, Aaron J. Draeseke, Fred D. Duckett, Joseph P. Finn, J. Maurice Field, Michael B. Edmonds, John Edwards, John Grant, Charles E. Gunner, Olaf N. Harding, John F. Harder, F. Harder Hamilton, Frank C. Hamilton, Joseph Harcourt, M. M. Hayes, Edd. Hendrie, Harry Hills, Victor G. Johnson, Fred S. Jones, Gilbert W.

Keafor, Charles J. Klisinger, Charles Livingston, Thos. Mason, David W. Milliken, William B. Moore, Willis G. Moore, Harry G. McDonald, Samuel C. McGrath, William McKinzie, William Niles, Andrew P. Newcomb, Edgar C. Newton, Harry J. Nelson, Gustaf Nelson, P. August Olds, Charles D. Opdyke, Osburne O. Parker, James M. Phillips, George J. Pollock, Hamilton H. Pullin, William B. Redford, John S. Reed, Robert W. Sands, Herbert S. Seeds, William P. Segil, Simon Sergeant, Ellis

Selbach, Emil H.
Scofield, Rodger W.
Shaffer, Edward L.
Shoecraft, William H.
Shepherd, Henry L.
Shortridge, John
Simonton, George E.
Smith, James F.
Smith, Laban E.

Stover, Samuel C.
Smith, Charles C.
Stephens, Charles I.
Stephenson, Percy
Stewart, Joe
Striet, Nicholas G.
Trevarrow, William
Trevarrow, Edwin J.
Thomas, Thornton H.

Thompson, Floyd R. Veak, John E. Walsh, Harry H. Weaver, David A. Wilkinson, Charles H. Whiting, John A. Windsor, Rufus P. Young, James

STEAMBOAT CHAPTER No. 34.

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, ROUTT COUNTY.

Convocations Second and Fourth Thursdays in Each Month.

OFFICERS.

William J. Breckel, H. P. James W. Atwell, K. James E. Downs, S. William C. Shaw, C. H. William C. Schaller, P. S. John H. Smith, R. A. C. Ervin D. Eaton, M. 3d V. Stewart A. Van Dusen, M. 2d V. George P. Wintersteen, M. 1st V. Frederick A. Metcalf, Treas. Charles A. Seymour, Sec'y. John V. Solandt, Sent.

MEMBERS.

Bryan, Robert V. Carpenter, David H. Finley, Rowland W. Haughey, Grant M. Jones, Humphrey Lyons, Edward J. McGinnis, William McLauchlin, Archibald

Reid, Samuel C. Slater, George R. Seymour, Arthur M. Wise, Thomas H.

FLORENCE CHAPTER No. 35.

FLORENCE, FREMONT COUNTY.

Dispensation January 4, 1902. Charter September 18, 1902.

OFFICERS.

John Quincy MacDonald, H. P. John Calvin McCreery, K.

Moses E. Lewis, S.

MEMBERS.

Blunt, John Edward
Durfee, Alfred
Daniel, William Joseph
Davie, William Henry
Jack, Delbert Adolphus
Keller, Frank
Lines, M. Nathaniel
McEniry, Thomas Jefferson

Meyers, Alfred F.
Mouser, Melvin A.
Neely, Charles
Patterson, John A.
Rambo, James Wilson
Rice, Hugh Louis
Reynolds, James Braine,
Sr.

Smith, Charles Franklin Stevenson, William Columbus Shirar, Phillip S. Walters, Thomas Edwin White, William D. Yost, Lewis.

To the Memory

OF

JACOB A. J. BIGLER,

WHO DIED AT DENVER, COLORADO.

JANUARY 1, 1902.

GRAND KING 1883,

AND A FAITHFUL WORKER IN THE

GRAND CHAPTER

FROM ITS ORGANIZATION

IN 1875

UNTIL HIS DEATH.

In Memory

OF

THE THIRTY-NINE COMPANIONS

OF OUR JURISDICTION

WHO HAVE

PASSED WITHIN THE VEILS,

AND WHOSE MEMORY WE CHERISH.

1902.

In Memory

OF

OUR BELOVED COMPANIONS

OF

OTHER JURISDICTIONS

WHO HAVE GONE TO THE GREAT BEYOND.

1902.

Deceased.

Name	CHAPTER.	DATE
Hamor, David A.	1	August 1, 190
Ackroyd, Eli.	2	September 10, 190
Vallie, Uplide	2	October 8, 190
Findlay, Robert	2	October 25, 190
Heath, Andrew B.	2	December 22, 190
Bigler, Jacob A. J.	2	January 1, 190
Lyon, Wm. F. M	2	February 4, 190
Frost, Henry C.	2	February 20, 190
Grissom, Eugene	2	July 24, 190
Ames, Willard	2	August 6, 190
Bowen, Benj. T.	2	April 10, 190
Winter, Allison T.	2	August 17, 190
White, A. K.	Ĭ.	
Fletcher, Warren M.	4	April 24, 190
Glaze, Daniel W	4	May 28, 190
Bonjamin, John E.	5	July 1, 190
Lawton, Andrew L.	6	October 27, 190
Lawrence, George W.	6	July 30, 190
Millor, Chas. P.	11	April 18, 190
Doolittle, Thos. H	11	August 8, 1905
West, (ieorge T.	12	December 30, 190
Ayres, James A.	12	February 7, 190
Foster, W. J.	14	September 9, 190
Alien, David	14	February 19, 190;
Nelson, John	14	February 6, 190;
Shaffer, Benj, F.	14	April 18, 190:
Lindauer, Leopold;	16	190
Carney, Francis	21	May 4, 1903
Love, Joseph	22	March 22, 1909
Wood, Seth H.	22	May 15, 1902
McKean, Geo. C.	24	April 10, 1902
Phillips, J. Ralph	25	May 1, 1903
folinson, Adam J.	26	December 10, 1901
Petteys, Walter	26	March . 190
Daigre, Henry	27	
Filbert, Elias	29	
Squires, Wm. B.	83	September 9, 1901
McCoy, Jacob C.	33	October 15, 1901
Stevens, Ed. A.	33	February 1, 1902

REINSTATED.

Name	NUMBER	Date
Leffers, William White Wm. A. Fairall, Chas. H. Harrington, Benj. F. Morgan, James Floming, John G. King, F. P. Woodward, Thos. Osborn, Chester Sturdevant, Harry F. Tripp, Chrestus A. McIntire, A. W. Charries I and F.	22222223 8 - 6 11218	October 10, 1901 October 24, 1901 October 12, 1901 November 28, 1901 February 24, 1902 March 27, 1902 January 21, 1902 May 10, 1902 November 12, 1901 April 25, 1902 July 11, 1902 July 11, 1902 July 11, 1902 February 18, 1902
Chopper, Israel F. Clark, John M. McClure, J. E. Martin, Harvey D. Adams, Matt. McInye, Henry A.	25 29 29	November 19, 1901 Soptember 19, 1901 May 14, 1902 August 27, 1902 September 18, 1902

^{*} Restored by Grand Chapter to good standing, but not membership.

DIMITTED.

Name	Number	DATE
Described House	-	November 14, 1901
Rosenbaum, Henry Cornforth, Jos. T.	5	December 26, 1901
Hensley, Alfred B.	5 5	December 24, 1901
Crossky, Allen B.	230101010121010	January 9, 1902
Fraser, Frances	5	May 8, 1902
Gillert, Wm. R.	2	June 12, 1902
Roney, Frank B	2	June 12, 1902
Selbach, Emil	2	June 26, 1902
Wingate, Chas. E	2	July 10, 1902
King, F. P. Hutchinson, J. Cooper	3	January 21, 1902
Hutchinson, J. Cooper		
Bennett, C. De B.	6	A
Tost, Chas. F.	10	October 21, 1901
Johnson, David	10	January 20, 1902
Tucker, George	10	March 17, 1902
Maxwell, Chas.]]	December 13, 1901
Andrews, Chas. B.	11	January 10, 1902 January 10, 1962
Valentine. Jos. R.	12	
Mitchell, Edwin	14	January 14, 1902
Clark, F. N.	14 16	February 11, 1902 October 18, 1901
Hurley, David	16	February 21, 1902
Tanner, Frank P.	17	February 4, 1902
	16	February 16, 1900
Milluer, Geo. T. Schoelkoff, J. H.	19	January 9, 1899
Auld, John	19	February 24, 1902
Recker, Charles	20	February 18, 1902
Miller, Karl S.	20	February 18, 1902
Kearby, Elias W.	20	June 3, 1902
McKenzie, Wm.	21	January 8, 1902
Brown, John S.	i ži i	March 12, 1902
Mellick. Z. L.	23	August 29, 1901
Sugerman, E.	23	Septemb'r 12, 1901
Collier, Thos. B.	23	December 26, 1901
McAllister. James	23	December 26, 1901
Geiszel, John H.	26	April 9, 1902
McIniry, Thos. J	สลถีลัสสสสสสส	
Hamilton. Jos.	27	May 10, 1902
Brown, Edwin B.	28	February 19, 1902
Ferguson, Willis S.		December 11, 1901
Mayhew, Geo. W.	33	February 17, 1902
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SUSPENDED.

Name	Number	DATE
Tyler, Geo. E. (By Denver Lodge No. 5)	2 3 6	August 18, 1902 May 26, 1902
Beshears, James	12	May 28, 1902 March 5, 1902 September 13, 1901
Watts, J. S. Smith, Geo. K.	14 18	November 12, 1901 October 22, 1901
Tosh, L. O. McKee, Milton Graves, W. H.	l 18 i	October 22, 1901 October 22, 1901 October 22, 1901
Putnam, E. E. Richardson, Wm. M.	18 18	October 22, 1901 October 22, 1901
Fitzer, A. B	18	October 22, 1901 October 22, 1901 November 26, 1901
Hansen, Peter L.	18 23	January 14, 1902 January 9, 1902
Meyors, Ed. Gillett, Edw. (By Delta Lodge No. 62) Olwell, Joseph T.	23 25 33	August 19, 1902 June 24, 1901 August 4, 1902

EXPELLED.

Name	Number	DA	TE
Tonn, Geo. R.	1	March	13, 1902

TABULAR STATEMENT OF WORK OF CHAPTERS FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1992.

· In dispensation, which accounts for discrepancy in totals.

TABULAR STATEMENT—Continued. RECAPITULATION.

Number chartered previous to this session	
Number at work	
Number making returns	
Number represented	
Chartered at this convocation	
Total number chartered	
Advanced	
Inducted	
Received and acknowledged	
Exalted	
Admitted	
Reinstated	
Died	
Dimitted	
Suspended	
Expolled	
Membership 1901	21
Present membership	
Net gain	1

GRAND OFFICERS

ELECTED SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF THE GRAND CHAPTER, MAY 11, A. 1. 2465.

DATE	G. H. PRIKST	D. G. H. PRIEST	G. KING	G. SCRIBE	G. TREASURER	G. SECRETARY	о. с. н.
1875	William N. Byers	Irving W. Stanton.	†Benj. W. Wisebart	iFrancis E. Everett	*Rich. C. Lake	535	++-
1876	Irving W. Stanton	Oren H. Henry	Edward H. Collins.	Andr'w Sagendorf	Wm. D. Todd	+Ed. C. Parmelee	L. Jos. Anderson
1878	+Oren H. Henry	TEdward H. Collins.	Andrew Sagendorf.		Wm. D. Todd		-
1879	John R. Hambel	John S. Titcomb	Roger W. Woodbury		io	TEd. C. Parmelee	*
1881	Roger W. Woodbury	100	tWm. M. Finlay	-	o'c	TEd. C. Parmelee	Geo. K. Kimbal
883	Koger W. Woodbury Edward B. Newnam	Geo, K. Kimball	Edward B. Newnam J. A. J. Bigler	Geo. K. Kimball -	Wm. D. Todd	TEd. C. Parmelee	
1884	Horace N. Banks	L. N. Greenleaf	Christopher C. Gird		Wm. D. Todd	TEd. C. Parmelee	Wm T. Bridwel
1886	C. C. Gird	E. Le N. Foster	Wm. T. Bridwell	Albert H. Branch	ini	000	-++-
888	Wm. T. Bridwell	Albert H. Branch	tS. H. Thompson	Ceylon E. Olin	Wm. D. Todd	TEd. C. Parmelee	Wm.W. Roller
6881	tS. H. Thompson	Coylon E. Olin	Wm. W. Roller		o		Henry T. West
168	Wm. W. Roller	Thomas Nicholl	Henry T. West		o.	Fd. C. Parmelee	Geo. T. Cooper
5	Thomas Nicholl	Henry T. West	A. A. Burnand	George T. Cooper	o's		Jas. H. Peabody
100	A. A. Burnand	Geo. T. Cooper	Jas. H. Peabody	Wm. D. Peirce	io.	Fd. C. Parmelee	J. C. Sanford
	Jas. H. Peabody	Wm. D. Peirce	J. C. Sanford	J. C. Sanford	Wm. D. Todd	TEd. C. Parmelee	Goo W Poor
897	Wm. D. Peirce	J. C. Sanford	M. H. Dean		0		Wm. L. Bush
899	Marshall H. Dean.	George W. Roe	Wm. L. Bush	-	Wm. D. Todd	TEG. C. Parmelee	Crom. Tucker
0061	George W. Roe	William L. Bush	John Humphreys.	L	Wm. D. Todd	fEd. C. Parmelee	David R.Crosby
1905	John Humphreys.	Cromwell Tucker.	David R. Crosby	Chas. O. Unfug.	John Gregor	Wm. D. Todd	Chas. O. Unfug.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

To	DATE OF COMMISSION	GRAND CHAPTER	From	DATE OF COMMISSION
nriatian, Uniontown Creamer Pucenis Douge, Little Rock Douge, Little Rock The Rock T	February 18, 1888 November 18, 1888 June 18, 1898 June 18, 1898 Rebruary 8, 1891 July 18, 1891 Junuary 22, 1891 November 12, 1898 November 14, 1891 April 1891 Junuary 23, 1891 Junuary 24, 1893 Junuary 25, 1891 Junuary 26, 1893 Junuary 18, 1893 Junuary 28, 1893 Junuary 18, 1893	Alabama Arizona Arizona Arizona Canada Connada Connada Connada Connada District of Columbia District of Columbia Indian I	Tyler D. Heiskell, Fort Morgan. Wm. D. Todd, Danyer. James H. Peabody, Cunon City. Irving W. Stanton, Puebbo. George J. Dunbangh, Puebbo. E.L. N. Foster, Denver. George J. Dunbangh, Puebbo. Cassins M. Brown, Longmont. Gassins M. Brown, Longmont. Cassins M. Brown, Longmont. Goorge J. Dunbangh, Puebbo. John Mills Marwell, Leadvillo. John Mills Marwell, Leadvillo. John Humphreys, Trinidad. Cromwell Tucker, Denver. Cromwell Tucker, Denver. Gromwell Tucker, Telluridad. Charles F. Printer, Telluridad. Charles F. Printer, Telluridad. Charles F. Printer, Telluridad. Charles F. Printer, Telluridad. Marshall H. Denn, Glenwood Springs. Walliam W. Roller, Salida. Charles H. Burnand, Leadvillo. Wh. W. Cooper, Pueblo. Whiliam A. Dolo, Denver. Whiliam A. Dolo, Denver. Whare W. Wooden, Wester Collins.	Rebruary 15, 1868 March 20, 1878 March 20, 1878 October 21, 1889 October 21, 1890 October 1, 1890 October 1, 1890 October 1, 1890 July 18, 1890 July 22, 1890 October 23, 1897 October 23, 1897 October 23, 1897 October 23, 1897 July 12, 1898 March 7, 1899 Rebruary 16, 1899 July 21, 1899 July 21, 1899 March 7, 1899 July 18, 1899 March 7, 1899
Ebenezer B. McElroy, Eugene	11,		Moger W. Woodburg	1

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES—Continued.

DATE OF COMMISSION	August 21,1901 Junnary 15,1898 May 18,1898 May 18,1898 October 29,1894 March 24,1898 July 3,1899 Janary 20,1902 Soptember 10,1894
Fnом	Roger W. Woodbury, Denver Barper M. Orahood, Denver Sharon Akinson, Greeley George T. Cooper, Ameliyst Wm. L. Bush, Idaho Springs John J. Sherwin, Idaho Springs Gornelius J. Hart, Pueblo Raffin E. Reed, Denver Richard Burke, Cripple Creek Richard K. Kimball, Golden Frank L. Bishop, Denver
GRAND CHAPTER	Oklahoma Peansylvania Quebec Rhode Island South Carolina South Dakota Tannessee Yermont Virginia West Virginia
DATE OF COMMISSION	January 3, 1902 April 27, 1883 October 18, 1900 May Decomber 13, 1892 March 25, 1892 March 8, 1890 May May J, 1899 Josepher 4, 1972 April 25, 1892 April 25, 1892
То	Calvin W. Brewer Sannel W. Latta, Philadelphia. Wilmer T. McLaurin, Montreal. Arthur H. Armington, Providence. Benjamin Burr, Binford G. C. Griffin, Clark J. J. Cannon, Moscow, Murfreesboro. J. J. Cannon, Moscow, Murfreesboro. W. H. S. Whitcomb, Burlington W. H. S. Whitcomb, Billington Magnus A. Snodgrass, Martinsburg. Frank C. Jackson, West Superior.

DIRECTORY.

GRAND CHAPTER	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND SECRETARY	CORRESPONDENT
Mabama	Geo. F. Moore, Montgomery	Geo, A. Beauchamp, Montgomery	Wm. Y. Titcomb, Anniston Charles D. Belden, Phoenix
rkansas	R. M. Carter, Batesville	John A Daries San Francisco	R. J. Laughlin, Bentonville
anada	Wm. Gibson, Beamsville, Ont,	Geo. J. Bennett, Toronto.	Grand Secretary
Jonnecticut	John Humphreys, Irmidad. Edgar W. Latham, Suffield.	Wm. D. 10dd, Dehver James McCormick, Hartford	John H. Barlow, Hartford
Delaware District of Columbia.	J. Paul Lukens, Wilmington Harry Standiford, Washington	James H. Price, Wilmington.	V. V. Harrison, Wilmington Grand Secretary
Florida	John R. Wetherell, De Land Robt. L. Colding. Sayannah	Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville	A. M. Lambdin, Barnesville
llinois	Alfred A. Whipple, Quincy	G. W. Barnard, Chicago.	Simon S. Johnson Jeffersonvilla
ndian Territory	Ira B. Kirkland, Muskogee	Joseph S. Murrow, Atoka	Grand Secretary
OWB	Ed. W. Wellington. Ellsworth	Alf. Wingate, Des Moines	wm. F. Cleveland, Harian Grand Secretary
Kentucky	Edw. C. Sellers, Covington	Henry B. Grant, Louisville	James W. Staton, Brooksville
Laine	R. W. Allen, Franklin Howard D. Smith Norway	Richard Lambert, New Orleans	Herman C. Duncan, Alexandria Herbert Harris. Bangor
faryland	J. James Foble, Cambridge	John H. Miller, Baltimore	Edward T. Schultz, Baltimore
fassachusetts	Warren B. Ellis, Boston	J. Gilman Waite, Medford	C. H. Loonard, Detroit
finnesota	Eben E. Corliss, Fergus Falls	Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul	Grand Secretary
Mississippi	Geo. C. Myers, Holly Springs	Wm H Mayo St Lonia	Phineas M. Savery, Lupelo Grand Secretary
Iontana	Geo. T. Slack, Fort Keogh	Cornelius Hedges, Helena	Grand Secretary
ebraska	Jas. W. Maynard, Omaha Francis D. King, Reno	Francis E. White, Omaha. Channeev N. Noteware, Carson City	E. D. Vanderleith, Carson City
New Brunswick	Alex Burchill, Fredericton John A. Lang, Franklin Falls	Wm. B. Wallace, St. John	Albert S. Wait, Newbort
ew Jersey.	Nelson Y. Dungan, Somerville C. G. Duncan, Socorro	George B. Edwards, Jersey City A. A. Keene, Albuquerque	Charles Belcher, Trenton W. H. Seaman, El Paso, Texas
New South Wales	Alfred Rofe, Sidney	A. J. Burbidge, Sydney	0 1 0 1

DIRECTORY—Continued.

GRAND CHAPTER	GRAND HIGH PRIEST	GRAND SECRETARY	CORRESPONDENT
North Carolina North Dakota Nova Scotia Nova Scotia Ortho Orth Ortho Ort	John C. Drewry, Raleigh George H. Keyes, Ellendale J. M. Owen, Annapolis J. M. Owen, Annapolis George H. Keyes, Ellendale J. M. Owen, Hand Hon W. A. Cleland, Portland Edward B. Spencer, Philadelplia Geo. O. Stanton, Montreal John H. Bellinger, Bamburg Ed. S. Ames, Hot Springs David E. Shields, Morristown C. M. Phillips, McGregor David E. Shields, Morristown C. M. Phillips, McGregor David E. Shador, Marston Jacob Weatherwax, Aberdoen Jacob Weatherwax, Aberdoen David K. Reed, Clarksburg Jacob Weatherwax, Aberdoen F. S. Veeder, Manston	James C. Munds, Wilmington Frank J. Thompson, Fargo D. H. Campbell, Halfax Bedwin Hagenbuch, Urbana James F. Robinson, Engene Charles Cary Finladelphia Willi H. Whyte, Montreal William R. Greene, Providence Jacob T. Barron, Columbia George A. Pettigrew, Flandreau W. A. Clendening, Nashvillio George Lopas, Jr. Floresville Warren G. Reprodds, Burlington James B. Blanks, Petersburg Xancey C. Blalock, Walla Walla. Robert C. Dumington, Fairmont.	James Southgate, Durham Wm. B. Allen, Truro S. Stacker Williams, Newark John M. Hodson, Portland Michael W. Jacobs, Harrisburg E. T. D. Chambers, Guebec Henry W. Rugg, Providence Grand Serretary Lowis H. Levoy, Webster H. H. Ingersol, Knoxville John L. Terrell, Terrell Marsh O. Perkins, Windsor Charles A. Nesbitt, Richmond Grand Secretary

RULES OF ORDER.

- 1. The Grand High Priest shall take the chair every day during the sessions of the Grand Chapter promptly at the time to which the Grand Chapter shall have been called off.
- 2. During business, all members are required to remain in attendance and observe strict order and decorum, and no member shall leave the hall or absent himself from the service of the Grand Chapter without permission.
- 3. No member shall be permitted to speak more than twice upon the same subject without special permission from the Grand Chapter. If any member is twice called to order at a Convocation and is guilty of a third offense of the same nature, he shall be subject to discipline and punishment in such manner as the Grand Chapter may decide.
- 4. When a question is put, it shall be the duty of every member present to vote, unless for good cause the Grand Chapter shall excuse him.
- 5. Every resolution shall be reduced to writing and signed by the mover.
- 6. All reports by committees shall be made in writing and signed by at least a majority of the members thereof.
- 7. No committee shall sit during the sessions of the Grand Chapter without special permission.
- 8. All questions, except amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws, shall be decided by a majority vote.
- 9. The Journal shall be read and approved before the final close of the Grand Annual Convocation.

CONSTITUTION.

TITLE.

- 1. This Grand Chapter shall be known and designated as the Most Excellent Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado. Its Jurisdiction shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State of Colorado, and shall be under the Jurisdiction of the General Grand Chapter of the United States of America.
- 2. The officers and members of this Grand Chapter, and their rank and title, shall be as follows:

Most Excellent Grand High Priest.

Right Excellent Deputy Grand High Priest.

Right Excellent Grand King.

Right Excellent Grand Scribe.

Right Excellent Grand Treasurer.

Right Excellent Grand Secretary.

Excellent Grand Chaplain.

Excellent Grand Captain of the Host.

Excellent Grand Principal Sojourner.

Excellent Grand R. A. Captain.

Three Grand Masters of the Veils.

Grand Sentinel.

Past Grand High Priests.

Past Deputy Grand High Priests.

Past Grand Kings.

Past Grand Scribes.

And High Priests, Kings and Scribes (for the timebeing) of the Subordinate Chapters under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, or their duly constituted proxies.

3. The Annual Convocations of this Grand Chapter-shall be held in Denver, on Thursday after the third Tuesday in September of each year. The hour of meeting shall be 10 o'clock a. m.

- 4. The representatives of at least three Chartered Chapters under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter will be necessary to constitute a quorum, and the Grand Chapter shall not be opened until such number is present.
- 5. This Grand Chapter shall have the exclusive control and government of all the Royal Arch Chapters within the limits of the State of Colorado. It shall have the power to enact such laws and regulations as may be necessary for the government of the Craft, and to change the same when occasion may require. To establish and require a uniformity of work and lectures. To issue charters for new Chapters of Royal Arch Masons with the right to open and hold Lodges of Mark, Past and Most Excellent Masters; also to revoke, suspend or annul the same as the emergency of the case may require.
- 6. The Grand High Priest, Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King, Grand Scribe, Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary shall be elected by ballot at each Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, from among the Companions who are constitutionally eligible thereto. A majority of all votes cast will be necessary to elect. All other officers shall be appointed by the Grand Council.
- 7. No Companion shall be eligible to election in the Grand Council who has not been elected, installed and presided over a regular Royal Arch Chapter.
- 8. All officers of the Grand Chapter, elected and appointed, shall be installed annually, and shall perform their respective duties until their successors in office are duly elected and installed. No officer shall be installed by proxy.

GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

9. The Grand High Priest shall have and enjoy the rights and prerogatives conferred by the Constitution, usages and customs of the Craft.

- 10. He may convene the Grand Chapter in Emergent Convocation at any time when occasion may require it.
- 11. He may convene any Subordinate Chapter in this Jurisdiction, preside therein, inspect its work and proceedings, and require a strict conformity to the established customs and laws of the Craft.
- 12. For good cause, he may suspend the functions of any Subordinate Chapter or officer thereof, until the next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter.
- 13. The granting or rejecting of all petitions for Dispensations of any kind shall be solely within his province. He has the command of all other Grand Officers touching their official duties, and may claim their assistance at any time on matters pertaining to the Craft.
- 14. In case of his death or inability to act, the powers and duties of his station shall, for the time being, devolve upon the Deputy Grand High Priest, Grand King and Grand Scribe in the order herein named.

GRAND TREASURER.

The Grand Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and securities belonging to the Grand Chapter. It shall be his duty to attend all Convocations of the Grand Chapter. He shall report at each Annual Convocation (or when requested to do so by the Grand High Priest) the condition of the finances. He shall pay all warrants drawn on him ordered by the Grand Chapter and signed by the Grand Secretary, which warrants he shall cancel when paid. He shall keep all funds of the Grand Chapter in some secure bank, and in the name of the Grand Treasurer of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Colorado. With his Annual Report he shall present vouchers for all money paid out during the year, and for the balance on hand a certificate of deposit, or certified check covering the amount. He shall furnish bonds, with sufficient sureties, in the sum of \$5,000, conditioned on the faithful dischargeof the duties of his office, the bond to be approved by the Grand High Priest, and remain in his keeping. He shall turn over to his successor in office all funds and other property belonging to the Grand Chapter.

GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Secretary shall attend the Convocations of the Grand Chapter, and duly record its proceed-He shall receive all funds belonging to the Grand Chapter from every source, pay them over to the Grand Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor. He shall receive and preserve all returns from Subordinate Chapters, and make report thereon at each Annual Convocation. shall also preserve all petitions, applications and other documents of importance; sign, certify to and seal all documents emanating from the Grand Chapter; conduct the correspondence of the Grand Chapter, under the direction of the Grand High Priest. He shall report annually to the several Grand Chapters in correspondence with this Grand Chapter the names and addresses of the Grand Officers elected. At each Annual Convocation he shall make report of all money received and paid over to the Grand Treasurer; of failures on the part of Subordinate Chapters in making returns and paying dues as required, and such other matters as may require the attention of the Grand He shall, in due time, prior to the Annual Chapter. Grand Convocation, furnish each Subordinate Chapter with blank returns, and suitable instructions for preparing them correctly. He shall also forward to each Chapter under dispensation suitable blanks, with full instructions for making their returns and petitioning for charter. He shall furnish bond with sufficient security, in the sum of \$5,000, conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties; said bond to be approved and held by the Grand High Priest. He shall receive annually for his services the sum of seven hundred dollars, payable quarterly by warrants drawn upon the Grand Treasurer.

- 17. All other officers are hereby required to attend all the Convocations of this Grand Chapter, and to faithfully discharge the duties required in their charge of installation.
- 18. This Constitution can only be altered or amended by proposing the change in writing at an Annual Grand Convocation, and if, after reference to and report on by a committee, it shall be concurred in by at least three-fourths of the members present, it shall become a part of this Constitution.

BY-LAWS.

REPRESENTATION.

- 1. The High Priest, King and Scribe of each Subordinate Chapter, in good standing within this Grand Jurisdiction, may appoint a proxy to fill his place in the Grand Chapter, but no other member of the Grand Chapter (as such) shall have this right.
- 2. Every Subordinate Chapter of this Grand Chapter shall be entitled to three votes and no more, whether represented by officers or by proxies. No Companion can represent more than one Chapter, of which he must be a member; and no officer, member or representative can have more than four votes in any case whatever.
- 3. No representative shall be entitled to a sent in this Grand Chapter until the annual returns and dues of his Chapter have been delivered to the Grand Secretary and his receipt obtained therefor.

SESSION COMMITTEES.

- 4. At each Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, as soon as practicable after its organization, the Grand High Priest shall appoint the following named committees of three members each:
- 5. On Credentials, whose duty it shall be to examine the credentials of all claiming the right of membership, and report their names and Masonic connection to the Grand Chapter.
- 6. A Committee to Examine Visiting Companions, whose duty it shall be to examine all visitors not properly vouched for, and report their names, address and Masonic connection to the Grand Chapter.

- 7. A Committee on Returns and Work of Chapters U. D., whose duty it shall be to examine the records, returns of work and the By-Laws proposed, and make report thereon, together with such recommendations as in their judgment will be for the best interest of the Craft.
- S. A Committee on Appeals and Grievances, whose duty it shall be to examine and report upon all appeals, memorials and petitions, in relation to matters of complaint which should come before the Grand Chapter.
- 9. A Committee on Finance, Mileage and Per Diem, whose duty it shall be to examine all accounts and financial matters to them referred, and to make full report thereon before the close of each Annual Convocation; also, to ascertain and report the sums to which each member and representative is entitled on account of traveling expenses and per diem.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

- 10. Before the close of each Annual Convocation, the Grand High Priest shall appoint Standing Committees of three each for the ensuing year, as follows:
- 11. On Masonic Jurisprudence, whose duty it shall be to examine and report upon all questions and documents requiring investigation; also, all decisions upon points of Masonic law.
- 12. On Masonic Correspondence, whose duty it shall be to examine the correspondence and documents from other Grand Chapters in correspondence with this Grand Chapter, and report at the next Annual Convocation all matters of importance and interest, and at the conclusion of their report on each Grand Jurisdiction, add the decisions of the Grand High Priest which received the approval of the Grand Chapter.

PAY OF MEMBERS.

13. The Grand Officers, members of the Committee on Masonic Jurisprudence and Masonic Correspondence,

and the officer highest in rank, or, in the absence of officers, the representative highest in rank from each Chapter in this Jurisdiction, shall be entitled to receive the sum of \$3 per day for each day's actual attendance at the sessions of the Grand Chapter. They shall also be allowed their traveling expenses going and returning from their place of residence; provided, the same has not been paid by the Grand Lodge; and provided, no one shall receive pay both as Grand Officer and Grand Representative; provided further, that in case of absence from any regular sessions of the Grand Chapter, without the consent of the Grand Chapter or Grand High Priest, all claims to compensation under this section shall be forfeited.

PERTAINING TO SUBORDINATE CHAPTERS.

- 14. No Dispensation for the formation of a new Chapter shall be granted except upon the petition of at least nine Royal Arch Masons in good standing, each of whom shall sign his full name, and state the Chapter to which he belongs or hails from, in addition to such general information as may be necessary for the Grand High Priest to act intelligently. The petition shall specially set forth the name of the town and the county in which the new Chapter is to be located, and that they will conform to the orders of the Grand High Priest and the regulations of the Grand Chapter, and shall present the names of suitable Companions for appointment as High Priest, King and Scribe.
- 15. The petition shall be accompanied by the minimum fee of ninety dollars, and by a recommendation from the nearest Chartered Chapter, certifying to the truth of the statements contained in the petition.
- 16. The petition shall also be accompanied by evidence of the standing of all the signers, as follows: If from Chapters beyond this Jurisdiction, by Dimits; if from within this Jurisdiction, by Dimits or certificates from the Chapter Secretaries, certifying to their good

standing, and that their dues are paid up to the next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter.

- 17. Existing membership shall only be disturbed when a charter follows a Dispensation, in which event they shall immediately cease in the old and begin in the new.
- 18. Each Chapter under Dispensation shall be governed by the By-Laws pertaining to Subordinate Chapters as adopted by this Grand Chapter, and at the next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, forward to the Grand Sceretary its Dispensation, returns of work, record of proceedings, proposed By-Laws and the sum of three dollars for each Mason exalted.
- 19. No Chapter shall do any work out of the regular order, unless by Dispensation from the Grand High Priest, and any Chapter working under such Dispensation shall return the same to the Grand High Priest, with an endorsement of the action had thereon.
- 20. A petition from a Chapter to the Grand High Priest for a Dispensation, shall set forth fully the emergency, and shall be accompanied with a fee of one dollar, which shall be paid to the Grand Secretary for the general fund.

CHARTERS AND NEW CHAPTERS.

- 21. Charters shall be granted by the Grand Chapter at its Annual Convocations only, and under no circumstances shall such power be vested in the Grand High Priest, or any other officer.
- 22. No charter shall be granted except the Chapter shall have worked under Dispensation and regularly conferred all of the degrees.
- 23. Charters shall only be granted upon the written petition of the Companions named in the Dispensation and those made by its authority; together with such others as present Dimits, and shall have received the unanimous consent of the Chapter U. D. to join in the petition.

- 24. Petition for charters shall propose the name of the new Chapter; also the names of the Companions selected for High Priest, King and Scribe. Yet the Grand Chapter may appoint others instead thereof.
- 25. The minimum fee for the issuance of a charter shall be ten dollars.
- 26. It is not in the power of a majority of the members of a Chapter to surrender its charter, so long as nine of its members continue to meet and work under it.
- 27. The Grand Chapter shall recall the charter of any Chapter that fails to meet for twelve consecutive months; or that neglects to make returns or pay dues for the period of two years.
- Jurisdiction shall have been surrendered or arrested, the status of the members will be that of non-affiliated Royal Arch Masons. After the demise of any such Chapter, the Secretary of such Chapter shall forward to the Grand Secretary, together with the charter and all other property of said Chapter, a certified list of all members in good standing at the time, and the amount of dues owing by each. And it shall be the duty of the Grand Secretary, upon the application of any of said members, to issue to each member a certificate of former membership; provided he shall pay to the Grand Secretary the amount of dues owing by him at the time of the demise. Which certificate shall be recognized, the same in all respects as a regular Dimit.
- 29. Whenever any charter of a Chapter shall be destroyed, stolen or surreptitiously taken and detained, or becomes so defaced as to be unfit for use, without the fault of the Chapter or High Priest, it shall be lawful for the Grand High Priest to order another to be issued, which shall set forth the members and officers named in the charter lost, detained or destroyed, the Grand Convocation at which it was granted, the names of the Grand Officers attached thereto, and the circumstances of its loss, destruction or detention; and shall be signed by the Grand High

Priest and attested by the Grand Secretary under seal of the Grand Chapter, without fee.

RETURNS AND DUES FROM CHAPTERS.

- 30. Each Chapter shall, immediately after its annual installation, report to the Grand High Priest and Grand Secretary the names of its High Priest, King, Scribe and Secretary.
- 31. Each Chartered Chapter shall transmit to the Grand Secretary, at least twelve days prior to each Annual Grand Convocation, full returns of all works done from the last returns up to and including the thirty-first day of August.
- 32. Each Chartered Chapter shall pay to the Grand Secretary annually, as dues, the sum of sixty cents for each Companion who is a member thereof at the time, and the sum of three dollars for each Companion exalted during the year.
- 33. Grand Chapter dues are hereby made payable at the time of making annual returns of work; any Chapter neglecting to pay at the time specified, and shall continue so to do for the period of sixty days, without furnishing reasons satisfactory to the Grand High Priest, it shall be his duty to suspend the functions of such Chapter until the next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter. (See also Grand Chapter By-Law No. 3.)
- 34. The Grand Chapter may order suspended or forfeited the charter of any Chapter which fails for two successive years to be represented at the Grand Chapter Convocations.

ELECTION AND INSTALLATION.

35. The High Priest, King, Scribe, Treasurer and Secretary of every Subordinate Chapter under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, shall be elected by ballot at the

- first stated Convocation in December of each year. All other officers may be elected or appointed as the By-Laws may provide.
- 36. Any Royal Arch Mason in good and regular standing is eligible to the office of High Priest in his Chapter.
- 37. A re-elected High Priest may, if necessary, hold over without reinstallation, but he should be reinstalled, and all other officers must be reinstalled.
- 38. A majority of all the votes cast will be necessary to elect.
- 39. No election of officers shall be had in a Chapter U. D. Such as are not designated in the Dispensation shall be filled by order of the High Priest.
- 40. Installations must be held prior to and not later than December 27. No Chapter shall hold a public installation without a Dispensation.
- 41. All the officers of a newly Chartered Chapter must be installed by the Grand High Priest, or his representative. No officer shall be installed by proxy.

JURISDICTION.

- 42. Unless otherwise specified, Chapter Jurisdiction shall extend by air line half way to surrounding Chapters.
- 43. Two or more Chapters in the same city shall exercise concurrent Jurisdiction, except when otherwise specified.
- 44. Each Chapter having concurrent Jurisdiction with another Chapter or other Chapters shall immediately notify the same of any application it may receive for the degrees.

PETITIONS.

45. No Royal Arch Mason shall be admitted to a Chapter in this Jurisdiction as a member or visitor unless he shall have received the degrees of E. A., F. C., M. M., M. M., P. M. and M. E. M. Nevertheless, when such cases

are presented, the Chapter may, upon satisfactory proof of the worthiness of the applicant, proceed to confer the intermediate degrees of M. M., P. M. and M. E. M. without extra charge.

- 46 a. No Chapter shall receive a petition for degrees, or for membership, unless the applicant is a member in good standing of some lawfully constituted Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. (See Decisions No. 67.)
- 46 b. No Subordinate Chapter shall receive and act upon the petition for Capitular Degrees unless the applicant has resided within the Jurisdiction of that Chapter during the immediate preceding six months, and shall have been a Master Mason for that period.
- 47. After a petition is regularly received and entered upon the minutes it cannot be withdrawn.
- 48. All petitions for degrees, or for membership, when regularly received, must be laid over at least four weeks before being balloted upon.
- 49. Subordinate Chapters shall not act upon a petition for the degrees from an applicant who resides in the Jurisdiction of another Chapter, without first obtaining the unanimous consent of the latter at a Stated Convocation, which consent shall be expressed by ballot. Any Chapter that shall knowingly violate this section, shall be required to pay over to the Chapter whose Jurisdiction has been invaded, the sum that said Chapter charges for the degrees.
- 50. No petition for affiliation shall be received by a Chapter unless accompanied by a Dimit from the Chapter of which the applicant was last a member.
- 51. No Chapter shall collect a fee for affiliation. (See Decision 53.)

BALLOTING.

- 52. No ballot shall be spread except at a Stated Convocation, unless by Dispensation.
- 53. In balloting for candidates, all members present shall vote.

- 54. After the ballot has been examined, first by the Scribe and King, and finally by the High Priest, the result shall be declared by the latter, unless a single negative vote appear, in which event he may order it respread, the result of which shall be final, and subject to no reconsideration whatever.
- 55. No Mason shall divulge the character of his vote upon the petition of any candidate.

REJECTION.

- 56. The petition of a rejected applicant for the degrees shall not be received within twelve months by another Chapter, without the unanimous consent, by ballot, of that which rejected him.
- 57. Subordinate Chapters may provide by By-Law the length of time that must elapse between a rejection and another application, provided it be not less than six months.
 - 58. One ballot elects to all the degrees.

OBJECTION AFTER BALLOT.

- 59. Advancement to the degrees may be stayed at any time, for good cause, by the Chapter or by the High Priest.
- 60. After the election of an applicant to receive the degrees, and an objection is made to his advancement by a member of the Chapter, such objection shall be referred to a committee, with full power to inquire into the cause thereof, who shall, at the next Stated Convocation, report thereon; and, if no just cause for the objection be found, or if the cause assigned be, in the opinion of two-thirds of the members present, not a valid and Masonic cause, the Chapter may confer the degrees in the same manner as if no objection had been made.

CONFERRING DEGREES.

- 61. Within the Jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter, the several degrees of the M. M., P. M., M. E. M. and Royal Arch Mason shall not be conferred for a less sum than \$50, to be paid by the candidate before the reception of each degree, in such sums as may be required by the Chapter By-Laws.
- 62. Every Subordinate Chapter under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Chapter shall keep a proper book of Marks in which shall be recorded the Mark of each and all its members.
- 63. No candidate shall be exalted until he shall have chosen his Mark and the same has been recorded.

QUALIFICATIONS.

- 64. The limit of physical qualifications to be required of a candidate for the degrees in this Grand Jurisdiction shall be simply that he be able to conform strictly to all which the ritual of the degrees makes necessary.
- 65. It is hereby made the imperative duty of every Chapter under this Jurisdiction to restrain, as far as possible, the Masonic crime of intemperance by trial and punishment, as the case may require. It shall be unlawful to advance or affiliate any person who is engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage. All Companions are therefore fraternally admonished to refrain from engaging in the liquor traffic.
- 66. The use of substitutes shall not be practiced for the purposes of rapid advancement, or for mere convenience; but only when the Council of the Chapter shall be convinced that the good of Royal Arch Masonry will be promoted thereby, and under no circumstances will the use of more than one substitute be permitted.

DIMITS.

- 67. No Chapter shall grant a Dimit except upon written application, which shall lie over until the next Stated Convocation, when, if no charges have been preferred and the dues of the Companion have been paid, the Dimit shall be ordered and issued.
- 68. No elected or appointed officer shall be dimitted during the period for which he has been installed.

SUSPENSIONS AND EXPULSIONS.

- 69. Any Royal Arch Mason within this Grand Jurisdiction, who has been suspended from a Lodge for any cause, shall be deprived of all rights and privileges in the Chapter, or to hold Masonic intercourse with Royal Arch Masons, until reinstated by the Lodge which suspended him. The notation by the Chapter on its records of the action of the Lodge in cases of suspension or reinstatement shall be all that is necessary to suspend or reinstate him to his former standing in every respect.
- 70. Expulsion by a Lodge carries the same penalty in the Chapter. The adoption by the Chapter of the action had by the Lodge will be sufficient, without the formality of a trial by the Chapter.

PENALTIES.

- 71. The Masonic punishment which may and shall be inflicted by the Grand Chapter and its Subordinates shall be either reprimand, definite or indefinite suspension, or expulsion.
- 72. Expulsion from a Chapter shall include expulsion from all the rights and privileges of Royal Arch Masonry.
- 73. A reprimand may either be private or public, but shall not be given until the offender has had due notice

and an opportunity for explanation or excuse, nor by any one but the Acting High Priest, in the manner and form he may deem proper in private, or in open Chapter, from his appropriate station.

74. When any Companion shall be suspended or expelled, immediate notice thereof shall be sent by the Chapter Secretary to the Grand Secretary. The Grand Secretary shall compile such reports at the end of each month, and send the same to each Chapter. No member shall be permitted to make any expulsion or suspension public, nor to communicate the same to any person not a Mason, except by a resolution to make public by the Chapter taking action, and which fact shall also be reported to the Grand Secretary. All expulsions and suspensions shall also be published with the proceedings of the Grand Chapter.

APPEALS.

- 75. All Masons have the right to appeal from the decisions of Subordinate Chapters to the Grand Chapter any time before the next Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter, in which case the Chapter shall furnish the Grand Chapter and the accused with an attested copy of its proceedings on the trial, and such testimony in its possession as he may require.
- 76. All appeals shall be in writing and filed with the Grand Secretary, and the appellant shall give the other party reasonable notice thereof.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

- 77. The non-payment of Chapter dues by a Companion known to be able is cause for discipline.
- 78. On report of the Secretary that a Companion is in arrears for two years or more, a Chapter may order charges, signed by the Scribe, in the following form:

"By order of	Chapter No.	F	loval	Arch
Masons, I hereby charg	e Companion .			with
unmasonic conduct in ne	eglecting to pay	Chapter	dues	from
the day of	to the	day of .		
"Dated	, 18	•		
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- "...., Scribe."
- 79. Examination shall be in open Chapter, and the testimony of the Secretary as to the indebtedness and requests for payment shall be sufficient evidence for the prosecution. Nevertheless, the Chapter may exercise such clemency as to it may seem proper, according to the circumstances of each case.
- 80. The only penalty for conviction under charges for non-payment of dues shall be reprimand or indefinite suspension from all the rights and benefits of Royal Arch Masonry; but reprimand shall not be inflicted for a second offense.
- 81. An application for restoration, after indefinite suspension for non-payment of dues, shall not be received until all dues are paid to the date of suspension.

RESTORATION.

- 82. In case the decision of any Chapter suspending or expelling a Companion shall be reversed by the Grand Chapter, such Companion shall be restored to all the rights and privileges as a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the Chapter.
- 83. No expelled Mason shall be restored to the privileges of Royal Arch Masonry except by a vote of the Grand Chapter, and such restoration shall not reinstate him to Chapter membership without the unanimous consent of the members thereof.
- 84. An application to reinstate an expelled Mason must in all cases be accompanied with a recommendation from the Chapter by which he was expelled, provided such Chapter be still in existence.

- 85. Restoration after definite suspension shall take place at the expiration of the time specified in the sentence, without further action.
- 86. Restoration after indefinite suspension shall be by action of the Chapter at a Stated Convocation, after due notice to the Chapter of at least one lunar month, and must be by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- 87. It shall not be lawful for a Chapter to hold Convocations on the Sabbath day for any purpose whatever, except to attend the funeral of a Mason.
- 88. The delivery or teaching of any Masonic work not authorized, or which has not received the sanction of the Grand Chapter or its lawful authority, is forbidden.
- 89. Upon the demise of any Chapter, the Secretary and Treasurer of the same shall, within three months, transmit to the Grand Secretary all the books, papers, jewels, furniture, funds and other property of the Chapter so demised.
- 90. The Grand High Priest is authorized, at the request of a Chapter, to change its location or place of meeting, but such a request must be made at a Stated Convocation, after notice given in open Chapter at least one lunar month before action is taken by the Chapter.
- 91. Honorary membership gives the right to speak in Chapter, but not to vote. It can not be conferred on a regular member of a Chapter by the same body.
- 92. Chapters and Committees on Charity shall require from applicants for assistance evidence of good standing before granting the same, and in the event such applicant shall prove to be an impostor or unworthy, such fact, with a full description of the impostor, shall be immediately reported to the Grand Secretary, whose duty it shall be to forthwith send notice of the same to all Chapters in this Jurisdiction and the Grand Secretary of all the Jurisdictions immediately adjoining.

- 93. Objection by a member present at a meeting of his Chapter to the visit of a Companion at that Convocation shall exclude the visitor.
- 94. Changes in Chapter By-Laws shall only be operative after approved by the Grand High Priest.
- 95. This Grand Chapter recognizes no degrees in Masonry except those conferred under the regulations of the Grand Lodges of the various states and territories of the United States and the governments throughout the world, and the General Grand Royal Arch Chapter of the United States, the Grand Royal Arch Chapters of the several states and territories of the United States and other bodies under their Jurisdiction, and the governments throughout the world.

It admits the above and the following named organizations, and none other, to be regular and duly constituted Masonic bodies, namely: The General Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the United States, the Grand Councils of Royal and Select Masters of the several states and territories of the United States and the Councils under their Jurisdiction, the Grand Encampment of the United States, the Grand Commanderies of the several states and territories of the United States and the Commanderies under their Jurisdiction, the Supreme Councils of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Northern and Southern Jurisdictions of the United States, of which Henry L. Palmer and Thomas H. Caswell are Sovereign Grand Commanders, respectively, and the various bodies under their Jurisdiction.

- 96. It is clearly the duty of the High Priest of a Chapter to suspend from office an officer of his Chapter for unbecoming or unmasonic conduct, in advance of charges and trial for such conduct.
- 97. In the case of a Companion known to be unable to pay, his Chapter may remit and release him from payment of Chapter dues, provided that there be no By-Law of the Chapter prohibiting such action.

- 98. The apron shall be worn over the outer garment in all public processions.
- 99. No Chapter shall incur any indebtedness beyond \$10 per capita without the approval of the Grand High Priest or Grand Chapter.
- 100. In all cases when a Chapter shall for any cause deem it necessary to discipline its members, the established forms of trial and the modes of punishment adopted by the Grand Lodge of Colorado shall be observed in every essential detail by the Chapters under this Grand Jurisdiction.
- 101. The provisions of the Constitution, Laws and Resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Colorado, in all essential respects, where there is no conflict between it and the Constitution or Laws of this Grand Chapter, shall be the rules and regulations by which the action of the Subordinate Chapters of this Jurisdiction shall be governed.
- 102. These By-Laws, pertaining to the Grand and Subordinate Chapters, can only be amended by proposing the change in writing at the Annual Grand Convocation, and if, after reference to and report thereon by a committee, it shall be concurred in by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, it shall become a part of these By-Laws.

DECISIONS AND EDICTS

NOW IN FORCE,

- 1. That the Ritual adopted by the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States of America in 1891 be adopted by this Grand Chapter as the Ritual to be used by the several Chapters in this Jurisdiction as soon as the same can be procured by the Grand Secretary, and that thereafter all other rituals or work be forbidden.—1893, page 18.
- 2. Resolved, That this Grand Chapter donates to the M. W. Grand Lodge Library all the proceedings of its sister Grand Chapters, and other printed documents in its possession, and that may be received from time to time, on the condition that the rights and benefits of the Library be extended to the members of this Grand Chapter.—1878, page 16.
- 3. It is not proper for Chapters under Dispensation' to receive petitions for affiliation.
- 4. Chapters have the authority to confer more than one degree at the same Stated Convocation, or between two Stated Convocations, on the same person.
- 5. A Chapter acquiring jurisdiction by waiver, after part of the degrees have been conferred, and conferring the rest of the degrees, collects fees for the degrees conferred by it according to its own schedule, and not by the schedule of the Chapter granting the waiver.—E. H. Collins, 1879, page 6.
- The Grand High Priest should turn over the Grand Chapter funds which he collects to the Grand Secretary, instead of the Grand Treasurer.—1879, page 13.
 - 7 and 8. Repealed in 1897.

9. Can a Chapter confer the degrees and then vote the fee back to the newly-made Companion?

No; because the law requires the payment of a certain sum of money for that which the Chapter confers; and its relinquishment immediately thereafter is to purposely nullify the law. No Chapter should do in a roundabout way that which it can not do openly.

10. Has a Chapter the right to remit the dues of a member?

If the By-Laws specify that dues shall be paid, and contain no provision for their remission, it can only be done after an amendment to that effect. No By-Law can be temporarily set aside to accommodate a particular case.—R. W. Woodbury, 1882, page 8.

- 11a. Resolved, That Royal Arch Masons, to be in good standing in this Grand Jurisdiction, must be, and continue to be, in good standing as Master Masons, and the Subordinate Chapters of this Jurisdiction will govern themselves accordingly.—1883, page 14.
 - 11b. Repealed in 1897.
- 12. In the absence of Grand Chapter regulations, it is proper for the Subordinate Chapters to use their own judgment as to the way that a Companion, dropped from the rolls, can be reinstated. But dropping from the rolls should not be permitted, but charges should be preferred as is now required by the Grand Lodge.—1884, page 15. (See Decision 54.)
- 13. Whereas, The Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales has assumed jurisdiction in granting Charters to Mark Master Lodges within the territory and Jurisdiction of the Grand Chapter of Quebec;

Whereas, The Grand Chapter of Quebec has severed fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Mark Master Masons of England and Wales, etc., until it ceases and withdraws its illegal usurpations of the rights and invasions of the territory of the Grand Chapter of Quebec; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Grand Chapter fully endorses the said action of the Grand Chapter of Quebec.—1884, page 18.

- 14. Actual measurement, and not facilities for travel, govern as to Chapter Jurisdiction.
- 15. When a Chapter is asked to waive jurisdiction and permit the conferring of the remaining degrees, a reply stating that permission has been granted may be construed to imply a waiver, though not so expressed in distinct terms.
- 16. When a brother who has been duly elected to receive the degrees in Chapter No. 1 removes to the Jurisdiction of Chapter No. 2 before receiving them, he is still the material of No. 1.
- 17. When work is done at the request of a Chapter in another Jurisdiction, the Grand Chapter fee for exaltation should not be paid, nor should the name be included in the annual returns. The records, however, should show all the facts.
- 18. A Chapter can try a member who has been indefinitely suspended from his Lodge. The member is already indefinitely suspended in the Chapter. The Chapter can only determine whether it will inflict a severer penalty.—L. N. Greenleaf, 1886, page 9.
- 19. A Chapter can not be opened in the absence of the High Priest, King and Scribe.—1886, page 31.
- 20. Resolved, That all Chapters under this Grand Jurisdiction are hereby authorized to amend their By-Laws regarding the payment of dues, and are permitted and instructed to use such Masonic discretion in remitting them as will prevent any worthy companion suffering injustice from inability to pay.—1886, page 31; 1894, pages 18 and 35.
- 21. The right to vote and hold office inseparably belong to membership in a Chapter, and no member can be deprived of these rights except through charges properly preferred, and trial and conviction thereon.

- 22. The granting of a Dimit severs the connection of a member with his Chapter.—C. C. Gird, 1887, page 9.
- 23. Quorum.—For all purposes, except opening and closing a Chapter, and conferring degrees, nine members of the Chapter are necessary. In the cases stated, nine Royal Arch Masons.—1887, page 13.
- 24. A petition for affiliation cannot be withdrawn. It must abide the ballot.
- 25. If, before the ballot, an objection be made to the candidate, the ballot can be taken; the Companion objecting, has his recourse in the ballot.
- 26. A Companion having received the Mark, Most Excellent and Royal Arch degrees in a Jurisdiction that does not recognize the Past Master's as one of the Chapter degrees, desiring to affiliate, it would be proper to regularly confer the degree of Past Master upon him, without fee.
- 27. All amendments to the By-Laws of Subordinate Chapters made prior to October 7, 1886, so long as they do not conflict with the laws of the Grand Chapter, are operative; and the law of the Subordinate Chapter, whether approved or not by the Grand High Priest.
- 28. A brother duly elected to receive the degrees in a Chapter, but who, for a long time does not present himself for them, has not forfeited his right to receive the degrees, and he is still within the Jurisdiction of the Chapter electing him, unless the Chapter in which he was elected has a By-Law requiring candidates to appear within a certain period or forfeit their rights to the degrees. A Chapter should not receive or act upon a petition from such a brother until it is fully satisfied that it would not invade the Jurisdiction of the Chapter that elected him. And of this it can only be assured by inquiring of said Chapter. If his rights are forfeited in the Chapter electing him, or if the Chapter electing him waives jurisdiction over him, he can apply in the regular way to the Chapter under whose Jurisdiction he resides. If his rights have not been for-

feited, the Chapter can request another Chapter to confer the degrees, in which event the brother would become a member of the Chapter electing him.

- 29. A brother having been elected to receive the degrees in a Chapter, is still under its Jurisdiction, although he may have removed into the Jurisdiction of another Chapter. The Chapter electing him can confer the degrees, or it may request another Chapter to confer them for it, in which event he would become a member of the Chapter electing him; or, it may waive jurisdiction over him and return him the fees paid, or not, as the Chapter may determine. But, having given no benefits, it would be right to return the fee.
- 30. If a member of a Chapter having a By-Law that its members, by paying dues for twenty years, become life members, Dimits and afterwards re-affiliates, it remains with the Chapter to determine whether the payment of the dues during the interregnum, and for a period sufficient to make twenty consecutive years from the date of his first being a member of that Chapter, is a compliance with their By-Laws regulating life membership, and I can see no reason why payment of dues for twenty consecutive years by a member, even though during a portion of that period he was not affiliated, is not a fulfilment of the letter of the law.—E. L. N. Foster, 1888, page 12.
- 31. Secretaries are required to note on their minutes the fact that the report of Committee on Petitions was received, but not the character of the report.—1888, page 22.
- 32. A Dispensation is necessary for the installation of officers who were not installed prior to the festival of St. John the Evangelist.
- 33. A Chapter receiving a petition, electing the applicant and afterwards granting a waiver of Jurisdiction, can retain the fee which accompanied the petition.

The Chapter electing would not be entitled to all the fees. Their waiver of jurisdiction severed all claims they had over the brother. The brother should petition the Chapter receiving the waiver, and be balloted for.

If elected and degrees are conferred, the Companion will be a member of the Chapter doing the work.

- 34. Non-payment of dues is sufficent cause for discipline under head of unmasonic conduct.
- 35. The fact of a brother's holding Lodge membership in another Jurisdiction would not render him ineligible for the degrees in this Jurisdiction.—W. T. Bridwell, 1889, page 11.
- 36. A-verbal objection sent by another Companion is not a legal objection to be observed by a Chapter.
- 37. A Companion cannot hold the office of High Priest and Treasurer at the same time.—S. H. Thompson, 1890, page 14. See Decision 56.
- 38. Question: Can we make Companion......... a life member without dues?
- Answer: No. Your By-Laws prescribe the amount a Companion must pay, and they cannot be set aside.
- 39. By-Laws making it obligatory for a brother to be a Master Mason six months before petitioning for the Chapter degrees, are not in conflict with the General Grand Chapter Laws.—C. E. Olin, 1891, page 9.
- 40. It is proper to receive a petition of a Master Mason raised in a Lodge U. D., whose Dispensation was not renewed nor a Charter granted.
- 41. Λ Chapter has not the right to confer the Council degrees.
- 42. A Past High Priest can install the officers of a Chapter. It is not necessary to obtain permission from the Grand High Priest to install the regularly elected and appointed officers on or before December 27th.
- 43. It is the duty of the High Priest to show the ballot to the King and Scribe, and they should examine the same before the result is declared; if the High Priest has neglected to exhibit the ballot to these officers, while his action would be irregular, in the absence of an objection, the result of the ballot would not be affected.

- 44. It is not proper, in working the Royal Arch Degree, to carry one team through to the lecture, and then commence on a second team, giving the lecture to six or more at the same time.
- 45. It is proper for the Secretary, under the direction of the Chapter, to answer an official communication from a Commandery, asking for the standing of a member of a Chapter who is also a member of said Commandery.
- 46. A Chapter should not be called from labor to refreshments from one regular Convocation to another, but should be regularly opened and closed at each Convocation. Nine or more Royal Arch Masons should be present at the closing of the Chapter, but if that number should not be present the Chapter should be closed.
- 47. A Companion "claiming that he received the Royal Arch degree in 1864, that the building with the records were burned, so the membership of the Chapter was never sent to the Grand Chapter and that he never visited his home Chapter, never dimitted or paid dues," can hardly be in good standing. A Companion who has taken no pains for twenty-eight years to establish his standing as a Royal Arch Mason, has undoubtedly forfeited all claims to a Masonic recognition.
- 48. A ballot taken when less than nine members of the Chapter are present is null and void, and a legal ballot should be taken—W. W. Roller, 1892, page 11.
- 49. A Royal Arch Mason carrying a Dimit can bring charges of unmasonic conduct against a member of a Chapter, provided he has maintained his Masonic standing in compliance with the law of this Jurisdiction concerning non-affiliates.—1892, page 26.
 - 50. Repealed, 1895.
- 51. The titles of the officers of a Chapter shall be as follows: The title of the High Priest shall be "Excellent" and that of all other officers "Companion." In Lodges of Mark, Past and Most Excellent Masters, the title of the

Master shall be "Right Worshipful," and of all other officers, "Brother."—1893, page 19.

- 52. That the Grand High Priest or his Deputy be authorized to visit each Chapter once each year, and instruct the Chapter, and that he be allowed three dollars per day and traveling expenses.—1893, page 20.
- 53. A By-Law providing that two years' dues should accompany a petition for affiliation, is in the nature of a fee for affiliation and is in conflict with the Grand Chapter By-Laws No. 55. (51.)
- 54. A By-Law providing for the dropping from the roll members delinquent in the payment of dues for over two years is invalid, being in conflict with Decision No. 12.
- 55. The requirement as to examination only refers to the degrees conferred in the Chapter.
- 56. Decision 37, which reads: "A Companion cannot hold the office of High Priest and Treasurer at the same time," applies equally as well to the King and Scribe, or, in fact, to any other officers.—H. T. West, 1894, page 15.
- 57. That the several Subordinate Chapters of this Jurisdiction be required to have their Arks properly inscribed, so that all may be uniform, and that the method of reading those Mystic characters be explained to the candidates by the High Priest after they have received the principal secrets of the degree.—Grand Chapter, 1894, page 33.
- 58. Life membership is forbidden in the future in Subordinate Chapters.—1895, page 13.
- 59. Examination for advancement may be made at any time, before the Council or a majority thereof, and upon their satisfactory report the candidate may be permitted to advance.—1895, page 23.
- 60. That the Grand Secretary be instructed not to receive warrants of Chapters in payment of Grand Chapter dues or otherwise.—1895, page 27.

- 61. Repealed in 1897.
- 62. The fact of a Master Mason dimitting from his Lodge does not affect his status as a Royal Arch Mason.
- 63. Chapters under Dispensation have the same territorial jurisdiction as chartered Chapters.—George T. Cooper, 1896, page 11.
 - 64. Repealed in 1897.
- 65. The Monitor formulated by Companions A. J. Hendricks, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Frederick Speed, of Vicksburg, Miss., entitled the "Signet of Royal Arch Masonry," was adopted as the Monitor to be used in the Chapters of this Jurisdiction.—1897, page 28.
- 66. Resolved, That it is hereby decreed that every Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction is required to have the inscription on the Arks used by them conform absolutely to the Ritual heretofore adopted by this Grand Chapter, and that said Ritual only shall be used in explanation of the said inscriptions.—1897, page 31.
- 67. Question: Would it be proper for a Chapter to receive the petition of a Master Mason, formerly a member of a Lodge whose charter was revoked three years since by the Grand Lodge, the brother not having made application for a Dimit or Grand Lodge certificate, and who claims he is not a voluntary non-affiliate?

Answer: No. The applicant not being a member of a Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons. (See Grand Chapter By-Law No. 46.)—J. C. Sanford, 1899, page 12.

- 68. We commend the action of our Grand High Priest in refusing to grant Special Dispensations to Subordinate Chapters to rush candidates through the several Sublime Degrees; we being of the opinion that his action could well be followed by his successors, and that the advice and reasons he has given should receive the earnest consideration of the High Priests of our Subordinate Chapters.—1899, page 25.
- 69. Degrees can not be conferred on one in the saloon business.—M. H. Dean, 1900, page 32.

- 70. No Chapter shall receive the petition of a Companion for affiliation, unless he shall have visited the said Chapter at least once previous to the presenting of such petition, and he shall visit the Chapter once subsequent to the reception of the same, before the ballot shall be spread thereon.
- 71. Question: Bro. A. was elected to receive the degrees in Chapter G. Before receiving them he moved permanently into the Jurisdiction of Chapter D. Chapter G. requests Chapter D. to confer upon Brother A. all of the degrees. Does Decision No. 263, Grand Lodge Proceedings, 1900, apply to this case?

Answer: First—Decision No. 263 Grand Lodge Proceedings, 1900, refers to Jurisdictions outside of this State only (Foreign Jurisdictions).

Second—Any Chapter in this Grand Jurisdiction may, at the request of another Chapter (in this Jurisdiction), confer all of the degrees.—G. W. Roe, 1901, page 22.

- 72. The Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary shall be required to furnish surety on their official bond from some reliable Surety Company, to be approved by the Grand High Priest, the premium therefor to be paid as other expenses of the Grand Chapter.—Grand Chapter, 1901, page 39.
- 73. The office of Grand Lecturer is hereby established, which officer shall have charge of the esoteric work.

 —Grand Chapter, 1902, page 36.

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND COUNCIL

ORDER OF HIGH PRIESTHOOD.

The Grand Council of the Order of High Priesthood of Colorado met in Annual Convention at Masonic Temple, Denver, Thursday, September 18, 1902, A. Beo. 3813, at 8 o'clock p. m.

OFFICERS PRESENT.

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF	President
ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER	V. President
ANDREW ARMSTRONG	Chaplain
CHARLES H. JACOBSON	Secretary
WILLIAM D. PIERCE	Master of Ceremonies
JETHRO C. SANFORD	Conductor
MARSHALL H. DEAN	Herald
THOS. E. SHEARS	Steward
GEORGE T. COOPER	Sentinel

MEMBERS PRESENT.

Henry T. West.
William L. Bush.
Thomas Nicholl.
George L. Sites.
John Humphreys.
Lafayette Durkee.
W. W. Cooper.
J. F. Armington.
I. O. Glazier.

T. E. Shears.
Cornellus J. Hart.
Cromwell Tucker.
Deane Monahan.
J. B. Hershey.
T. H. Thomas.
Calvin E. Reed.
W. J. Breckel.
W. H. Trout.

VISITORS.

George W. Lorenz, Illinois. Jesse Richards, Nebraska.

PETITIONS FOR THE ORDER.

Petitions were presented in due form from the following Companions, who, being eligible for the order, were duly elected, and severally received, consecrated and set apart to the Holy Order of High Priesthood in due and solemn form:

George Booth, San Luis Valley Chapter No. 18.
Freeman Waldren, Kilwinning Chapter No. 21.
Charles F. Bartell, Longmont Chapter No. 8.
Charles W. Stringfield, Keystone Chapter No. 19.
Frank M. Anderson, Walsenburg Chapter No. 27.
Frederick W. Swanson, San Luis Valley Chapter No. 18.
William E. Crain, Telluride Chapter No. 28.
Frank W. Hurd, Leadville Chapter No. 10.

BILLS ALLOWED.

The following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

Nelson Williams, 25 Bibles at \$1.18	\$29.50
W. H. Kistler Stationery Co., 500 petitions	5.00
C. S. Morey Mercantile Co	
Wolfe Londoner	1.50
Postage	2.40
Typewriting	3.00
-	817.40

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Balance on hand from last report	
	\$56.75
Bills allowed Sept. 18, 1902	47.40
Balance now on hand	8 9.35

ANNUAL ELECTION.

The annual election was held and resulted in the election and appointment of the following officers:

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF	President
ERNEST LE NEVE FOSTER	V. President
ANDREW ARMSTRONG	Chaplain
CHARLES H. JACOBSON	Secretary and Treasurer
WILLIAM D. PEIRCE	
JETHRO C. SANFORD	Conductor
MARSHALL H. DEAN	Herald
THOS. E. SHEARS	Steward
GEORGE T. COOPER	Sentinel

The Grand Council was then closed in form.

LAWRENCE N. GREENLEAF,

President.

Attest:

CHARLES H. JACOBSON, Secretary.

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